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## Chandler J. Palmeter

Chandler J. Palmeter, was born October 23, 1844 and died at his home in Alton, January 12, 1931, aged 86 years, 2 months and 19 days.

He was married to Adelia Calkins, October 21, 1866, at Corunna, Indiana. To this union were born three sons and one daughter, Orland, of Leavenworth, Kansas, Leon G. of Mt. Vernon, Illinois, Elwyn, of Carmi, Illinois, and Mrs. Minnie Jones, of Vincennes, Indiana.

He was a veteran of the Civil war, the last of the old veterans in Boone township. He was very patriotic, never failing to fly his flag on national holidays. He was a member of the Alton Methodist church, also of Alton lodge J.O.U.A.M.

Last May his aged companion, who had shared life with him for almost 64 years, passed on to the Great Beyond. Since then, he has only been waiting for his summons, which came after illness, suddenly on the morning of January 12.

Funeral services were held at the Methodist church Wednesday, January 14 at 3 p.m., conducted by the Rev. Mr. Jones of Pleasant Ridge.

Alton, Indiana

Mr. and Mrs. Orland Palmeter, who were called here on account of the death of his father, Chandley Palmeter, left Saturday for their home in Leavenworth, Kansas.



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The Daily Herald  
LaPorte, Indiana  
December 14, 1916

Commander Clarence Stone of the U. S. Navy, was expected to arrive today from New York to attend the funeral of his mother, Mrs. Amelia Stone, which will be held at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon at the Baptist church. In addition to the relatives mentioned in the Herald of yesterday, Mrs. Stone leaves two sisters, Mrs. Adelia Palmiter of Mount Pleasant, Indiana, and Mrs. Helen Bowdle of Albion, California and two brothers, Henry Calkins of Elkhart and Milo F. Calkins of Kansas City, Missouri. She also leaves one granddaughter and one great-granddaughter. Mrs. Stone's marriage was May 11, 1864 and not July 11, 1864, as formerly stated.

LaPorte Herald  
LaPorte, Indiana  
December 15, 1916

The funeral of Mrs. Amelia Stone of this city was held this afternoon at 2 o'clock instead of tomorrow afternoon as was first arranged. Her son, Commander Stone, received a message making it necessary for him to return to New York this evening and for that reason the funeral was held today instead of tomorrow. The services were at the Baptist church with Rev. Arthur Charles Smith conducting the service and Cutler Brothers in charge.





LaPorte Herald  
LaPorte, Indiana  
December 13, 1916

Mrs. Amelia Stone, wife of Edward A. Stone, a greatly loved and respected woman of LaPorte, active in church work and in the Woman's Relief corps. passed away at her home, 108 Noble street, at 7 o'clock this morning. Mrs. Stone was the mother of Commander Clarence M. Stone of the United States navy, and was the wife of a veteran of the civil war. A host of friends will learn with regret of her death. Mrs. Stone was born May the 14, 1845, at Corunna, Indiana, and came to LaPorte county from Corunna in 1872. She was married July 11, 1864, at Auburn, Indiana, to Edward A. Stone, who survives her. She leaves one son, Commander Clarence C. Stone, now a member of the Neutrality Board of the United States navy, and one granddaughter, Mrs. Frederick G. Crisp. Mrs. Stone had been a member of the First Baptist Church for years, having served as president of the Aid society for ten years. She was never called on to serve in any capacity that she did not extend a willing hand. She was prominent in the W. R. C., and was a devoted wife and mother. Two children passed away a number of years ago. Mr. Stone is a veteran of the civil war and served three years with Co. G. of the 19th Indiana. He was wounded at the battle of Antietam. The funeral will be held at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon at the Baptist church, Rev. Arthur Charles Smith officiating, and the interment will be in Patton cemetery. Cutler Brothers are in charge.





Mrs. C. J. Palmiter

ALTON-Adelia Calkins Palmiter, daughter of Rastus and Susan Calkins, was born May 14, 1845. She was married to C. J. Palmiter, in 1866. To this union were born three sons, Orland Palmiter, of Leavenworth, Kansas, Leon, of Mt. Vernon, Illinois, Ellyn, of Carmi, Illinois, and one daughter Mrs. Minnie James, of Vincennes, Indiana.

She was a member of the Methodist church for many years and was beloved for her kindly Christian character. She was an invalid for years and could not leave her home, but was always found cheerful and smiling by those who visited her. She was a great lover of flowers and her friends, knowing this, brightened her sick room with many blossoms.

She passed away at her home in Alton, May 25, 1930, aged 85 years and 11 days. She leaves her aged husband, by whose side she had lived for 64 years, her four children and their families and a host of friends to mourn her departure.





## CALKINS

Erastus Calkins  
Born January 28, 1813  
Died July 27, 1893

Susan(Peake)Calkins  
Born September 17, 1820  
Died August 7, 1877

They are buried in the Corunna Cemetery, Corunna, Indiana.

They were married in Seneca County, Ohio (?).

### Children:

- Milo F.      Born September 25, 1839, in Seneca County, Ohio, and died June 21, 1932, in Leavenworth, Kansas. He married Annie B. Bowdle, September 1, 1861, in Steuben County, Indiana, by Elder Conley, a Baptist minister. Annie, was born in 1846 and died July 23, 1918. They had no children. They are buried in the Forest Hill Cemetery, Kansas City, Missouri.
- Orlando      Born in 1843 and died March 31, 1860. He is buried in the Corunna Cemetery.
- Adelia      Born May 14, 1845 and died May 25, 1930. She married Chandler J. Palmiter, in DeKalb County Indiana, October 21, 1866\*. He was born in Newburg, Cuyahoga County, Ohio, October 23, 1844 and died January 12, 1931. They had four children. They are buried in the Flower Point Cemetery, Boone Township, Crawford County, city of Alton, Indiana.
- Amelia      Born May 14, 1845 and died December 13, 1916 in LaPorte, Indiana. She married Edward A. Stone, May 11, 1864, in DeKalb County, Indiana\*. He was born in Marshal, Calhoun County, Michigan, October 19, 1838 and died in Danville, Illinois, May 6, 1921. They had three children, however only one lived, his name was Clarence M. Stone. They are buried in the Patton Cemetery, LaPorte, Indiana. She was a twin to Adelia.





Helen M. Born April 16 or 18, 1852 and died March 6, 1926 in Albion, California. She was married to Vernon C. Bowdle, October 3, 1870, in DeKalb County, Indiana\*. Vernon C. may have died about 1930 in The Dalles, Oregon. They had no children. Helen M. is buried in Rose Memorial Park Cemetery, Fort Bragg, California. She does not have a tombstone marking her grave.

Henry R. Born April 16 or 18, 1852 and died November 30, 1929, in Indianapolis, Indiana. He married Permilia Coonk, her maiden name might have been spelled Krouk or Kronk. She was born September 23, 1850 and died January 17, 1928. They had seven children. They are buried in Gracelawn Cemetery, Elkhart, Indiana. He was a twin to Helen M.

\*Married by S. B. Ward, a minister in DeKalb County, Indiana.

Erastus and Susan Calkins, were living in Richland Township, DeKalb County, Indiana, in the 1850, 1860, 1870, and 1880 census. After the death of Susan, Erastus, lived with his son Henry R. Calkins.





Written in Corunna, Indiana, September 2, 1888, by Levi Brown.

A sketch of his life, also that of his wife and relatives.

My grandfather Brown, lived in Douglas Township, in the State of Rhode Island. I visited him in 1831. He was a tall slim man about seventy five years old at that time. My grandfather rasied by his first and second wives, nine boys and two girls. His name was Jonah Brown. My father's name was Jonah Brown Junior, he was born in Douglas Township, the second of November, 1780, in the State of Rhode Island.

My mother was born in the Township of Coryden, the fifth day of November, 1781, in the State of New Hampshire. Her name was Sarah Leland. My father and mother rasied five boys and four girls. I do not know what year they were married. My oldest brother, Moses, was born in 1804, and my brother Lindel, in 1806, Louise in 1809, my own birth comes next in 1811, in the State of Massachusetts.

My father and mother were moving planets at the time of my birth, and I expect that was what made me such a renegade. My sister, Almira, was born in Rhode Island and was a baby of the family when my folks moved to New York State. We moved into the State of New York in the month of October 1816, with a yanky team, one yoke of oxen and one horse and a wagon on the wide track. Betsy and Sally, Jonah and Abby, were born in the State of New York.

Your grandfather and grandmother Peake were both born in the State of Vermont on the same day of the month, March 27, 1781. Russell, their eldest son was born in 1802 and Maria and Horace were born, I think in the State of Vermont before they moved to Canada. It is all from memory and I may make some mistakes. I don't know how long they lived in Canada. About three or four years. Your mother was born in 1812, in the month of November, the sixth, and was the baby when they moved back.

In the War of 1812, her father living in Canada was about to be compelled to join the British Army. He was apposed to fight against the United States and had to flee the country. He left his farm and everything he had except what he could load into a sled. He pretended to be going to the mill. He loaded up grain in sacks, his children three in number, packed in with the grain and covered so that they were hid from view. His wife and baby rode in a seat by his side as was the custom. They started out very early in the morning, drove moderatley until they arrived at the St. Lawrence River, when they were called by a sentenal to halt. They paid no attention but whipped up their horses and crossed the river on the gallop. The river being frozen at the time. They were fired at three times but missed. Adaline and Susan, were born after there return somewhere in New York State. Nathan Peake and wife moved to Ohio in 1832 and bought land in Seneca County.

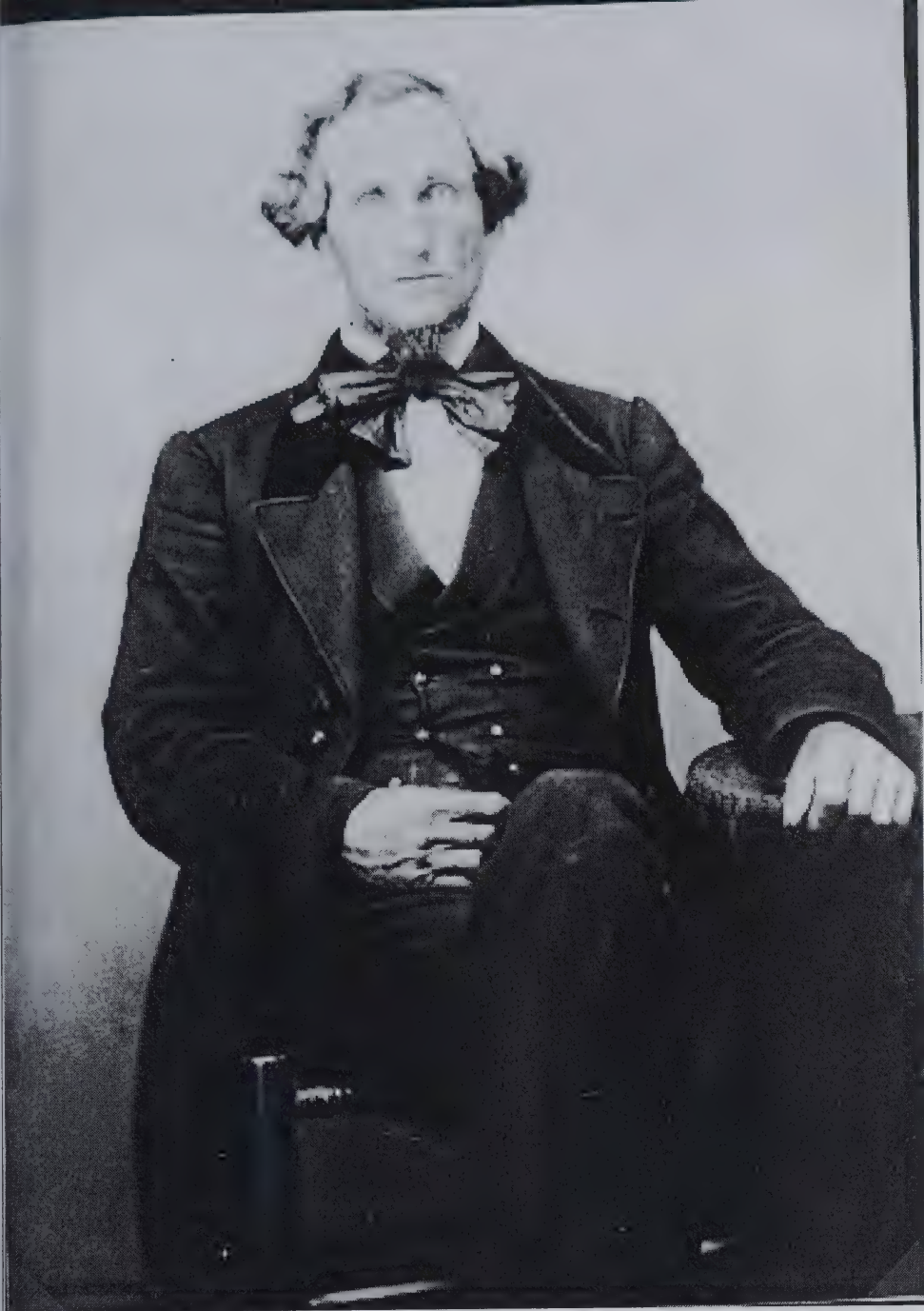


Oliver Peake, lived in Eire County, being a nephew went to visit his uncle's family and Jane, being a young woman was invited to go along with him. She did so, and while there was persuaded to go to Huron to work in a bording house. I left New York, about that time for Ohio, to grow up with the country and went to that same bording house. The result was your mother found a husband and I found a wife. We were married January eight, 1835. We bought land in Indiana in 1844.

This letter was written to Mary Jane(Brown)Adams, by her father Levi Brown. Mary Jane, was the wife of Newton M. Adams.







Levi Brown

Born April 14, 1811

Died August 30, 1890

Son of Jonah and Sarah Leland Brown Jr.

Married Jane J. Peake

January 10, 1835 Heron County, Ohio

Buried in Corunna, Indiana

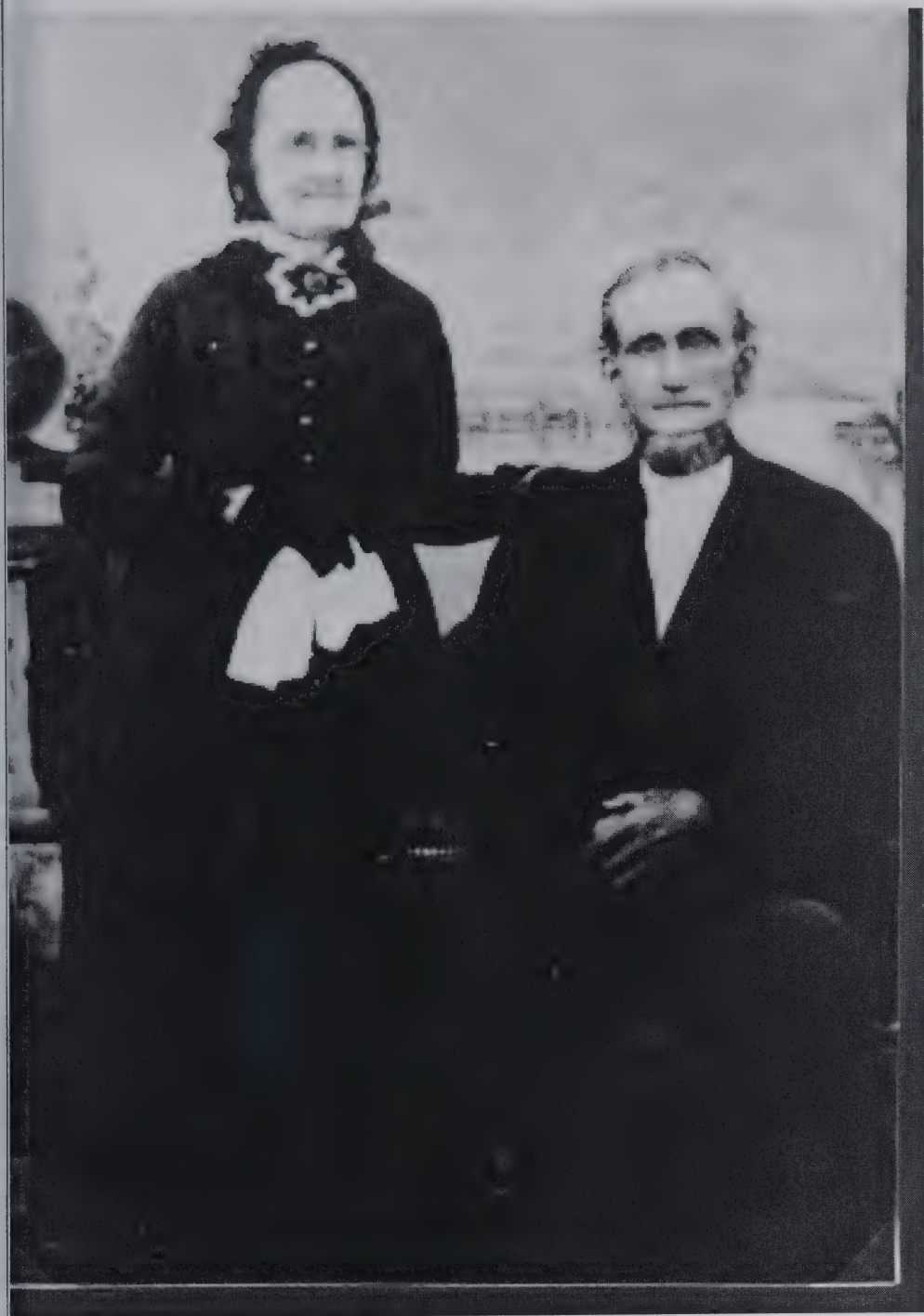






Jane J. Leake  
Born November 6, 1812.  
Died November 17, 1892  
Wife of Levi Brown  
Daughter of  
Nathan and  
Deborah Stearns  
Leake  
Buried in Corona  
Indiana





Levi and Jane J. Peake Brown





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THE HISTORY  
OF A  
CALKINS FAMILY

The information contained in this History has been collected and compiled by George Boland Eckhart through the years 1952 to early 1955. It has been secured through correspondence with members of the family and others. I have had the help of professional genealogists in tracing the ancestry back through the years.

The costs of mimeographing and binding this book have been borne by Mrs. Rose Culbertson, Mr. Walter Starr and the compiler.

Special thanks should go to William Ross Fillmore of Spanish Fork, Utah, for help he has given me in linking the family tree with our original progenitor, Hugh Calkin of Wales. Ross is a Calkin kin and a ninth cousin once removed of the writer.

Additional mention should be made of the fine help given me by Mrs. Rose Quiss of Findlay, Ohio; Mrs. Eugene Chriswell of Detroit and Mrs. Rosalba McMillen of Culver City, California. The sincere thanks of the family to them all, and especially of the compiler for their interest and help.

Tucson, Arizona PO Box 5315  
April 1955







*Milo Calkin*



The Calkins name is a very old one. Some authorities claim that it can be traced back to the Norman Conquest in A.D. 1066. Burk's British Heraldry has the name Colkin in the twelfth century. There was a William Colkin who lived in the time of King John A.D. 1200. He was a man of wealth and he founded a hospital which he named after himself. He was unquestionably one who extolled the Great Magna Carta from reluctant King John at Runnymede on June 15th A.D. 1215. There was a very ancient coat of arms.

The name has had various spellings such as: Colkin, Caukin, Caulkin, Corkin, Caukin, Cawkin, Cawkins, Calkin and Calkins.

The first Calkin to come to America was Hugh Calkin. He spelled it without the s. He could not write but made his mark with an -H-. Some generations later the -s- was added. Hugh was a radical in religion. He was a Nonconformist and he lived in troubled times, of King Charles the first. Hugh was born in Chepstow, Monmouthshire, Wales about 1600 A.D. This was close to the boundary between Wales and England. Hugh felt that there were safer countries than England for men who wished to worship God according to the dictates of their conscience. He was a member of the Welsh party who came with Reverend Blenman in 1640 to America and joined the Plymouth Colony in Massachusetts. He brought his wife, Ann Eston or Eaton born in 1605 and several of his children. They settled first at Greens Harbor now known as Marshfield, Massachusetts, later moving to Gloucester. Here, Hugh was one of the selectmen from 1643 to 1648 inclusive. He was a commissioner for the trial of small claims in 1645 and a deputy to the General Court of the Colony in 1650 and 1651.

In 1651 he moved to the Connecticut Colony where he lived first in Saybrook and later at New London. During this time he was chosen twelve times as deputy to the General Court which was the Legislature of the time. Elections were held semi-annually. In 1660 he united with a company of proprietors to settle Norwich Connecticut which was then a wilderness. He was chosen a Deacon of the church there. His son, John was also one of the proprietors of this company. The location of the town of Norwich was ceded to the whites by the Indians for seventy pounds English Sterling. He was an active worker for all measures for the public good.

Hugh died at the age of 90 years in 1690. He and his wife, Ann, were the parents of seven children who were: Sarah, b. abt 1623; Mary, b. abt 1629; John, b. abt 1634, d. Jan. 8, 1702/3; Susan, b. abt 1640; David, b. abt 1642, d. Nov. 25, 1717; Deborah, b. 18th March 1643/44; and Rebecca, b. abt 1647 and d. March 14, 1651.

The Calkins family in America no doubt all descended from Hugh. I have determined that our line comes down through the eldest son, John, and will endeavor to trace on down from this point in this History.





JOHN CALKINS was born in England in 1631. Another record says it was 1633. He went to Norwich with his father and was one of the original Proprietors of that Company which established the town. He married at New London about 1658 to Sarah Royce, born in England about 1635. She was the daughter of Robert and Mary (Sims) Royce. John died at Norwich 8 January 1902/3 and Sarah died at Norwich 1 May 1711/17. The line comes on down through their son, John Jr.

JOHN CALKINS JR. son of John and Sarah (Royce), was born at Norwich July 1661. He married there in 1690 to Abigail (Brichard), Daughter of John and Christina (Andrews) Brichard. Abigail was born in Norwich November 1667. He removed to Lebanon Connecticut in 1695 or 1696 and in January 1744 calls himself of Phillips Precinct Dutchess County New York when he deeds his Lebanon land to his James of Norwich. Son John is a witness. He died soon after and his widow married Moses Northrup of Beckmansburg, New York who named his step daughter Abigail Calkins in his Will 2 August 1746. He died in 1747 and left Abigail a widow the second time.

JOHN CALKINS III son of John Jr. and Abigail was born in Lebanon 19 November 1699. He married there 9 April 1721 to Sarah, daughter of Lieutenant Samuel and Mary (Clark) Huntington. Sarah was born at Lebanon 22 October 1710. (From Huntington Genealogy) He removed with his father to Dutchess County New York about 1736 (See Hurd's History of New London, p. 510) He is called Doctor John in the Huntington Genealogy and is probably the John Calkins, Justice of the Peace, before whom his father acknowledged the deed of 1744.

ELIJAH CALKINS son of John and Sarah is recorded as born 9 April 1727/28. Tobias writes in the Hartford Times of 12 September 1942, "The following has been compiled from town, church, and family records. I believe it to be correct. John and Sarah (Huntington) Calkins of Lebanon and later Dutchess County New York had a son Elijah born at Lebanon 9 February 1727/8. This is the Elijah who aided in founding the Baptist Church at Phillips Patent (Precinct) 6 November 1751 and was its Deacon for 44 years. He served in a Land Bounty Regiment from Dutchess County in the Revolutionary War. His wife is not known to me."

ELIJAH CALKINS JR. "Born 9 April 1764 at Northeast Dutchess county New York. He served in the same regiment with his father. These two men are the Elijahs who appear at Northeast in the census of 1790. Elijah married Kezia Rogers and they had children born in Dutchess County from 1784 to 1800. After that he moved to Elizabethtown, Essex County with his family. He had three more children after he moved there. One of this man's children was Capt. John Calkins of the Battle of Plattsburg, New York."

The above information was given to me by Miss Eliza Avery, a genealogist of Norwich Connecticut. It brings the line down to a point where definite family connections had already been established. I had already been informed through family letters and records that Elijah Jr. was a forefather.





Additional information was found by writing to the County Clerk of Essex County New York. In their reply to me they quoted from a book called Pleasant Valley, A History of Elizabethtown, New York by George Levi Brown. Copyright 1905. I quote from their letter copied from the book.

"During the year 1802 Elijah Calkins and his family came into Elizabethtown from Dutchess County New York. His wife was Kezia Rogers, born at Northeast Dutchess County New York on 9 April 1764 and was therefore one month his junior. Kezia was the daughter of Isaac and Anna Wilcox Rogers. They settled on a farm 'up west' of Elizabethtown village, where both died and were buried in the 'old Calkins Burying Grounds' which took its name from them."

"The account goes on to tell about the Battle of Plattsburg where in the company of Captain John Calkins (eldest son of Elijah Jr.) there fought side by side five Calkins brothers and three brothers-in-law. They were John, Calvin (my ancestor) Elijah III, Isaac and Benjamin Calkins, and Valentine and Orson Kellogg and Lewis Pearson, the three brothers-in-law. The author states that to our knowledge this record has never been surpassed in this region for patriotism of one family." The Battle of Plattsburg was fought on September 11, 1814.

Elijah and Kezia (Kellogg) Calkins had twelve children. More proof of this information came to me through Mr. William Ross Filmore of Spanish Fork, Utah. Cousin Ross has been of untiring and immeasurable help to me in compiling the Calkin line. Ross is a practicing genealogist and his line comes from the Calkins family. Ross has compiled data with the assistance of the Genealogical Library of the Mormon Church in Salt Lake to show that he and the writer of this History are ninth cousins once removed. He has graciously compiled the complete line from the original Hugh Calkins down to Elijah Jr. and I was able to carry on from there. I feel the entire family are very grateful to him for his help and interest.

The children of Elijah Jr. and Kezia were:

1. ELIZABETH (Calkins) KNOX, b. 5 March 1784.
2. CAPT. JOHN CALKINS, b. 15 July 1785 at Northeast, New York, d. 18 June 1874. Married Lucy Kellogg 11 May 1806. She was the daughter of Elijah Kellogg. They had 9 children:

A. Amy Starkweather	F. Elvira
B. Asa Starkweather	G. Harriet Elizabeth
C. Norman	H. John Towner
D. Charles McNeil	I. Charlotte Jane
E. Angelina	

Captain John led his regiment in the War of 1812.

Charles McNeil died in Iowa City prior to 1905.

John Towner died in Chicago 26 January 1905 at eighty years of age.





There was a famous singer who was popular in the 1890's by the name of Clara Louise Kellogg. She is related to the Calkins family through the marriages of Elijah's sons with the Kellogg daughters.

3. CALVIN CALKINS b. 9 Jan. 1787, d. 18 April 1871 at age 85. I have another date of his death which is 30 April 1872. He married Kezia Kellogg b. 2 April 1787, d. 10 March 1872. This is the line from which the writers' line comes down. It will be taken up in detail later in the compilation.
4. ANNA (Calkins) NEWELL b. 20 July 1788, d. 1887 at 99 years. She was born in Northeast and married Apollas Newell.
5. ISAAC CALKINS b. 11 Oct. 1790 at Northeast. Married Laura Barnum. Their daughter, Phoebe became the late Mrs. Jehiel Bronson or "Aunt Phoebe" as she was commonly called.
6. POLLY (Calkins) born about 1792 at Northeast.
7. PHOEBE (Calkins) born 20 February 1794 at Northeast.
8. BENJAMIN CALKINS b. 29 Sept. 1795, d. 12 Jan. 1887 at age of 92. He married Urania Kellogg. Their children were:
  - A. Rosamond (never married)
  - B. Juliet. Married George H. Glidden
  - C. Rebecca. Married Alvin Blood.
  - D. Phoebe Ann. Married Cyrus Wakefield
  - E. Henry
  - F. Theadore
9. ELIJAH CALKINS III b. 27 Dec. 1798 at Northeast, married Polly Bancroft.
10. HIRAM CALKINS b. 9 Nov. 1800 at Northeast, Married (1) Maria Pearson and had 3 children:
  - A. Charles
  - B. Lewis
  - C. LeanderMarried (2) Sarah Hill Perry and had 2 children
  - A. Evander
  - B. Elliott Brown
11. RANSOM CALKINS b. 27 Feb. 1803 at Elizabethtown, New York.
12. ELON CALKINS b. 28 Feb. 1808 at Elizabethtown, New York.

Note that 3 of the Calkins Sons married 3 of the Kellogg girls.

Calvin and Kezia Calkins had thirteen children. They were all born in New York State. They moved to Ohio in 1833 or 1834 and settled in Sandusky County where they resided until 1840. We have very little information about their stay in Ohio. In 1840, Calvin moved his family to Indiana,



De Kalb County. They settled on a farm near the little village of Corunna. Just how many of the children came with them is not known but surely all of the younger ones came. Milo the oldest son did not move from New York. He had a very interesting and adventurous life which will be told in detail.

I have endeavored to follow the lines of as many of the thirteen children as it was possible to get information about. Some of them died very young while a few lived to an extreme old age.

The thirteen children were:

1. MINERVA	b. 1 Dec. 1809	d. 22 Jan. 1810	2 months
2. MILO	b. 19 June 1810	d. 25 April 1872	62 years
3. ERASTUS	b. 28 Jan. 1813	d. 1893	80 years
4. ANNA	b. 28 Feb. 1815	d. 21 April 1846	31 years
5. CELESTIA	b. 22 Sept. 1817	d. 27 April 1887	70 years
6. LIVONIA	b. 9 Mar. 1820	d. 21 Aug. 1821	17 Months
7. ULYSSES	b. 25 Mar. 1822	d.	
8. MILTON	b. 28 April 1824	d. 5 Oct. 1824	6 months
9. HORACE	b. 22 Mar. 1825	d. 3 April 1825	11 days
10. JANE	b. 8 Jan. 1827	d. 20 May 1907	80 years
11. SARAH	b. 20 Dec. 1828	d. 21 Sept. 1920	92 years
12. POLL AUS	b. 27 Nov. 1830	d. 5 July 1892	62 years
13. JULIA	b. 25 Sept. 1834	d.	

It might be interesting to the readers of this account to know something about the section of the country that Calvin and Kezia came to when they settled in Indiana. They were pioneers and they carved a new home out of the virgin forest. Indiana had been a state for only 4 years.

I prepared an account of this location for another family history and am including it here as a background to make this history more complete.





## A SHORT HISTORY OF DE KALB COUNTY-INDIANA

It was one hundred and fifty years after Columbus discovered America before any portion of the present state of Indiana was explored by white men. Wild Indians were the only inhabitants. In 1670 the first French explorers, fur traders and Missionaries came from Canada and, traveling by way of the Great Lakes and the Maumee, Wabash and Mississippi rivers, reached the Gulf of Mexico. This route was well known and traveled before the Ohio river was discovered.

Vincennes was settled in 1710. At the Treaty of Paris in 1763 Great Britain secured all lands east of the Mississippi and south of the Great Lakes. In 1765 there was a small white settlement at the point where the Maumee and the St. Joseph rivers came together to form the St. Marys River. A brisk trade with the Indians had sprung up here and in 1794 General Anthony Wayne, with a group of American soldiers established Fort Wayne. The United States came into possession of this land from Great Britain.

The Northwest Territory was created by Congress in 1789. Major General Arthur St. Clair took up his duties in 1788 at what is now Marietta, Ohio. The Territory of Indiana was organized by act of Congress in 1800 and William Henry Harrison was made the first Governor, with Vincennes as the seat of Government. The first legislature convened in 1805. Indiana became a state on April 9, 1816. The population in 1810 was 24,520 and by 1816 it had grown to 63,879 souls. By 1825 this was doubled to almost 130,000 people. In 1832 the Wabash and Erie Canal was begun from Fort Wayne south and west. By 1841 the canal was 129 miles long and ran from the state line on the east to Tippecanoe. The years from 1825 through 1830 were very prosperous, immigration increased, and bountiful crops came to the settlers.

De Kalb County is in the extreme northeastern section of the state, being the second county south from the Michigan line and adjoining the Ohio line. The county comprises 369 square miles. Its length is 18 miles in a north and south direction and  $21\frac{1}{2}$  miles in an east and west measurement. It was originally covered with a fine growth of hardwood timber. It has a few small lakes within its borders. There was considerable marshy and swampy ground and the dense woods were almost impassable. To quote an early account, "Many were the difficulties encountered in getting into the country in the early days. If the immigrant came by wagon he had to cut and make his own roads. If he came by river he sometimes met with ship-wreck". De Kalb County was organized by the State Legislature in the winter of 1836-1837. Fort Wayne was the county seat of Allen County, 26 miles to the south and it was the point of supply for the new section. Two routes were available, one through the St. Joseph river and the other by Indian trails winding through the woods.

At the end of the war of 1812 there was a trace through the woods from Fort Wayne to Fort Dearborn (Chicago). There was a trail leading southeast into Ohio known as Wayne's Trace. Other than this the streams were the only means of travel. In 1819 Fort Wayne was a village of less than thirty





dwelling, but it was crowded with white men who came to trade with the Indians. They also came to take up land. In 1822 a United States Land Office was opened. Land could be "entered" from the Government for a price of \$1.25 per acre. A great deal of this land was bought by speculators and resold for two and three dollars an acre.

The first settler in De Kalb County was John Houlton. He came in 1833 with three men and a yoke of oxen. They cleared a space and built a cabin on section one Franklin Township, on Fish Creek, in the northeastern part of the county. During 1834 eight pioneers moved by way of Fort Wayne through to Butler Township. The St. Joe River was the main channel for much of the settlement and Spencerville and Orangeville were settled in 1836.

In early years provisions were scarce. There were but few families that did not know the pinch of hunger without immediate means to satisfy it. Potatoes were substituted for bread. Many times it became necessary to eat greens picked from the forest and cooked with milk and beech bark. To quote again, "The country offered no supplies except the inconsiderable amount yielded by the chase, and a very small amount of corn grown in the bottom lands and in the immediate vicinity of settlements. The chief supply of provisions and provender, and almost every necessity of life had to be brought mostly from Miami County, Ohio. This came by way of St. Marys, Ohio, being brought by wagons to the latter place and hence to Fort Wayne by flatboat on the Saint Marys River. The danger and the difficulties that attended the shipment of supplies through this channel can hardly be conceived at the present day. Imagine men with loaded teams struggling through swamps, and interminable mud, day after day, lodging in the wilderness by night; then conceive the perils of boating on a crooked narrow stream, through dense forests, beset with fallen timber, and other obstructions its whole course." It took three days at this time to go from Auburn to Fort Wayne and back. Now less than an hour will make the trip.

There was a time when the pioneers waded through heavy snows, across bridgless rivers and through bottomless sloughs, a score of miles to mill or market, and when more time was required to reach and return from market than is now required to cross the continent. These were the times when the homes were constructed of logs covered with shakes split from the forest trees. Chairs and bedsteads were hewn from the forest trees and tables and bureaus were constructed from the boxes in which goods were brought into the country. In these times the working man labored six and sometimes seven days a week and all the hours from sunrise till sunset.

The first Railroad to come into the county was the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern which ran east and west through the northern part of the county. The first train arrived from the east at Butler (then known as Morristown) in 1855. The line was built on west through Waterloo and Corunna and finally into Chicago.

Calvin Calkins and his family came to a farm near the village of Corunna in 1840. The Calkins men were all farmers and were pioneers in every





section of the country in which they lived. We have traced them from England to New England then into New York state where they kept moving ever westward with the trend of migration of the times. After two moves in New York they went on to Ohio, and finally into Indiana.

The foregoing account will give the reader an insight into the country when our forefathers arrived. It was new and raw.

We will now continue with the family history taking up the thirteen children of Calvin and Kezia Calkins.

Several of the children were never raised to maturity. It was a common thing in those days for many children to die quite young and it was indeed a remarkable thing that those who survived for the most part lived to very old age.

Of two children we have very little information. I refer to Celestia who married Joseph Loveland and to Ulysses. The generation with whom I have been in correspondence have only a faint recollection of them and unfortunately I can get no further information.



## 1. MINERVA CALKINS

Minerva was born on 1 December 1809, d. 22 January 1810. She died at age 2 months.

## 2. MILO CALKINS

Milo was born on 19 June 1810 on a farm in Essex County, New York. He died on April 25, 1872 at San Rafael, California. He, no doubt, received a good education as evidenced by his writing in later years. In 1833, the same year that the family moved to Ohio, Milo shipped as a carpenter on a whaling ship to the South Pacific. This was done on the advice of his physician to relieve a severe asthma that troubled him. The Journal of this journey and subsequent adventures has been left to his family and handed down through my line. I secured this very fragile and worn book in 1953. It was in a deplorable shape. The leaves were all loose and so brittle it could not be rebound. After some thought on the matter it was decided to present this valuable account to the Huntington Library in San Marino, California, where it could be properly cared for and preserved. This was done and two photostatic copies were made and are in the hands of the family.

Uncle Milo sent this Journal to his favorite sister Jane Elizabeth Calkins (McMillen) who was my maternal great grandmother. He also wrote her long letters of his experiences in far off countries. This book was cherished by her and passed on down through her descendants.

Milo was under the impression that this Journal was burned in the San Francisco fire of 1852 having forgotten that he had sent it to his sister Jane. In 1870 he rewrote his experiences in the San Rafael newspaper and this account called "The Last Voyage of the Independence" has been printed in a private edition by his grandson, Mr. Walter A. Starr of San Francisco and Piedmont, California.

The journal would constitute the making of a real thriller today. They sailed from Nantucket and spent almost two years in the South Pacific cruising about and filling the ship with whale oil. A vivid description of the killing of whales is told and accompanied by sketches in free hand. On the homeward journey the ship was wrecked on Starbuck Island in the middle of the Pacific. The crew divided and half attempted to find their way to inhabited land and the others wished to stay on the island. Uncle Milo was the skipper of one of the three boats who elected to leave. After 17 days, during which they covered about fifteen hundred miles, in a small open boat, they arrived at an island (now Hawaiian) inhabited by friendly natives. Through their help they finally reached Rarotonga in the Cook Islands, and later by ship the Sandwich Islands.





Uncle Milo spent the next several years in these islands. He taught music in the school here for a time then he became the chief clerk for an American Mercantile firm. He returned to the United States in 1842 and here the journal ends. He was married to Evelyn Johnson of Hallowell, Maine in that year and they returned to the Sandwich Islands.

Uncle Milo was appointed the United States Consul here, and they lived on the Island of Maui at Lahaina. They spent the next four years here. Evelyn was born as near as we can determine about 1807. Her family were lumber operators and held large tracts of timber in Maine and moved progressively from there to Michigan then to Wisconsin and finally to California as their timber holdings were cut off.

We next hear of Uncle Milo in 1849 when he left the eastern seaboard on the steamer "Northener" on February 2. He crossed the Isthmus and arrived in San Francisco on the steamer "Panama" on June 4, 1849. His wife and family followed him two years later. The children were carried across the Isthmus in the arms of natives on the backs of mules. The census of 1852 shows him a resident of San Francisco as do succeeding counts. He is listed in the old directories as a bookkeeper. We know he operated in Real Estate. He served as clerk for the Board of Supervisors of the city for a term of years. He was a charter member of the Society of California Pioneers and was active in the early life of that growing city. Acute asthma finally compelled him to live in a more favorable climate and he moved across the bay to San Rafael in Marin County. Here he became Librarian of the Public Library and held this office until his death in 1872.

The children of Milo and Evelyn (Johnson) Calkin were:

- A. AUGUSTA b. 1845 in the Hawaiian Islands. She died some time after 1852 in San Francisco.
- B. STARR, KATE FLORENCE (CALKIN) b. 10 June 1848 at Hallowell, Maine. She grew up in San Francisco and on February 22, 1871 was married to William McKendry Starr. Mr. Starr was born in Ohio on May 4, 1845. He came to California in 1863 to join his brother A. D. Starr, a pioneer, who was engaged in flour milling at Vallejo and later Wheatport (now Crocket) California. The Starrs operated large grain warehouses at Wheatport

The Starrs operated large grain warehouses at Wheatport and exported wheat all over the world. They lived in Oakland, California. Mr. Starr died in 1924 on April 14th. Mrs. Starr passed away February 15, 1936. They had two children, Walter Augustus and Florence Evelyn.

- a. WALTER AUGUSTUS STARR, b. 14 March 1877 in San Francisco. He attended Oakland grade school and graduated from the University of California at Berkeley in 1897. After college he succumbed to the lure of the gold rush to Alaska and joined the Klondike stampede prospecting along the Yukon River. In the winter of 1898-99 he made one of the first mail trips from Skagway down the Yukon



to Tanana by dog team and sled. Returning from Nome to Oakland in 1901 he accepted a position as manager of the Occidental Warehouse located next to the Old Pacific Mail Docks. Two years later he made a start in the grain and feed milling business under the name of W. A. Starr. He became a member of the Merchants Exchange in 1903. From 1912 to 1919 he also was interested in grain growing and operated a large wheat farm in the San Joaquin Valley. He has also been interested in mining in California and Nevada.

With the entrance of the United States into the World War in 1917 he gave up his business to become a "dollar a year man" with the Government. He served in an executive capacity with the United States Food Administration and the Grain Corporation until August 1920. He resumed his personal business activities in 1921 and was associated with Edward L. Eyre and Co. grain merchants and exporters of San Francisco. This continued until 1932 when he became interested in the wood pulp industry and retired from the grain business to become Vice President and later Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Soundview Pulp Co.

In 1942 he was appointed a member of the Industrial Advisory Committee Pulp and Paper Division of War Production Board. For many years he was a director and Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Central Bank of Oakland, California. Other activities include: Director, Yosemite Park and Curry Company, Director of Russ Building Company; member of the Industrial Advisory Committee of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco; Director of the Scott Paper Co. since its merger with the Soundview Co.; President of the San Francisco Post, Army Ordnance Association 1947-48; President of the California Historical Society in 1942; Director of Save-the-Redwoods League; President of the Sierra Club 1941-42; having been an active member for many years, with keen interest in the development of National Parks. He is a member of the Pacific Union Club, The Commonwealth Club of San Francisco and Society of California Pioneers. He was a City Trustee of Piedmont California from 1912 to 1917, where he resides, at 216 Hampton Road.

On May 30, 1902 Walter A. Starr was married at Oakland to Carmen Moore b. 20 December 1877. She is the daughter of A. A. Moore, an attorney of San Francisco and Oakland, and Annie (Hall) Moore, both California pioneers who crossed the plains in covered wagons when small children. They were Mr. & Mrs. Starr, descended from Colonial southern families who had been pioneers before them in conquering the west.

Mr. & Mrs. Starr were the parents of two sons, Walter A. Starr, Jr. and Allan Moore Starr.







1. WALTER AUGUSTUS STARR, JR., b. 3 May 1903, d. 3 August 1933. He was a graduate of Stanford University and Law School. He practiced law in San Francisco until the time of his death which occurred while climbing Michael Minaret near Mt. Ritter in the High Sierra. He was a member of the Sierra Club and a skillful mountain climber. He wrote the first complete guide to the High Sierra, published by the Sierra Club. He was a talented musician.
2. ALLAN MOORE STARR, b. 4 October 1907. He graduated in engineering at the University of California at Berkeley. He has invented some important improvements in the art of internal combustion engines. During the war (1942-1945) he worked on the Manhattan Project at the University of California Radiation Laboratory. He married Adeline Eddy in 1932. She is the daughter of James G. and Mary Eddy of Seattle, Washington. They were the parents of four children:

STARR, CARMEN MOORE b. 7 May 1933  
STARR, ADELINE EDDY b. 17 September 1936  
STARR, WALTER A., III b. 10 June 1941  
STARR, ALLAN COOLEY b. 7 January 1945

They were divorced in August 1949.

In 1951 Allan Moore Starr was married to Eva Maria Weiner of New York City, b. 1919, no children.

The Starr genealogy briefly stated is: Comfort Starr, surgeon, b. Ashford County, Kent England, came to Massachusetts in 1635 first to New Towne (Cambridge) in 1635, and later settled in Duxbury, Massachusetts in 1638, and removed to Boston where he died on 2 January 1660. The line of descent comes to Dr. Thomas Starr of Duxbury and Charleston, Massachusetts; Captain Josiah Starr and in succession, three Thomas Starrs, all four of Danbury, Connecticut; Epenetus Starr of Danbury, who moved to Oswego, New York after the Revolutionary War, and later settled in Greenfield, Ohio. His son George Starr, a farmer of Greenfield, Ohio was the father of William McKendry Starr, and grandfather of Walter Augustus Starr. William McKendry Starr was born at Greenfield, Ohio on 4 May 1845, and died at Riverside, California on 14 April 1924.

- b. THOMAS FLORENCE EVELYN (STARR) b. May 26, 1875 at Vallejo, California. She died September 15, 1928 at Riverside, California. She married in 1906 to Joseph Notley Thomas b. Feb. 11, 1868, died July 6, 1932 at Riverside, California. Mr. Thomas was an electrical and mining engineer by profession. He graduated in 1890 from Princeton University. He was associated with the Westinghouse Electrical Company and had a part in the development of the Westinghouse Air Brake. He



worked for the Western Electric Company and had charge of the electric lighting of the World's Fair in Chicago in 1893. About 1900 he came west. He became interested in Gold Mining in the northern part of California. In 1913 we find him employed as a civil engineer with the Riverside Portland Cement Company in Riverside, California. The last ten years of his life he had his own Civil Engineering Consulting service.

The Thomases had two sons, Richard Notley and Starr.

1. THOMAS RICHARD NOTLEY b. June 10, 1909 at San Francisco, California. He graduated from the California Institute of Technology at Pasadena in 1932 with a degree of Bachelor of Science in Engineering. He served in World War II in the Naval Air Transport Squadrons 11 and 12 and attained the rank of Lt. Jr. grade. His service was in Honolulu. On May 4, 1934 he married Louise Ford Aldrich. They had one child:  
THOMAS LYN STARR b. January 21, 1940 in Los Angeles, California. They were divorced in April 1944. Richard is with his mother.

On April 28, 1945 Richard married Jane Edythe Howe. She was born March 27, 1926 at Ketchikan, Alaska. She attended the University of Kansas graduating in 1938 with an AB degree in Bacteriology. The Thomases live at Puunene, Maui, Hawaii. They have a son Jim and a daughter adopted.

2. THOMAS STARR b. September 9, 1910 at San Francisco. He graduated from the University of California, Los Angeles, in 1934 with an AB. He attended Stanford University 2 years. Received his L.L.B. from Berkeley (University of California) in 1937. He practiced law in San Francisco and in 1941 became attorney for the Santa Fe Railroad and Commercial Council for this Road. In 1945 he moved to Chicago becoming Commercial Council for the Railroad in that city. He belongs to the following fraternities: Phi Beta Kappa, Phi Kappa Sigma and Phi Delta Phi. He married on January 4, 1938 to Virginia K. Knight b. August 18, 1913 at Reno, Nevada. She graduated from the University of California at Berkeley in 1935 with an A.B. degree. She is a member of the Alpha Chi Omega Sorority. They have 2 daughters:

- a. THOMAS JULIA STARR b. August 4, 1941
- b. THOMAS KATHERINE KNIGHT b. November 21, 1943

They are all Presbyterians.





### 3. ERASTUS CALKINS

CALKINS ERASTUS b. January 28, 1813 in New York, died 1893 in Indiana. He is buried in Corunna. He married Susan. She was born 17 Oct 1820 (TS) died 1871. He was a farmer and lived on his father's farm south of Corunna. They had 5 children who were:

- A. Henry
- B. Helen (Bowdle)
- C. Amelia (Stone)
- D. Milo
- E. Another Girl

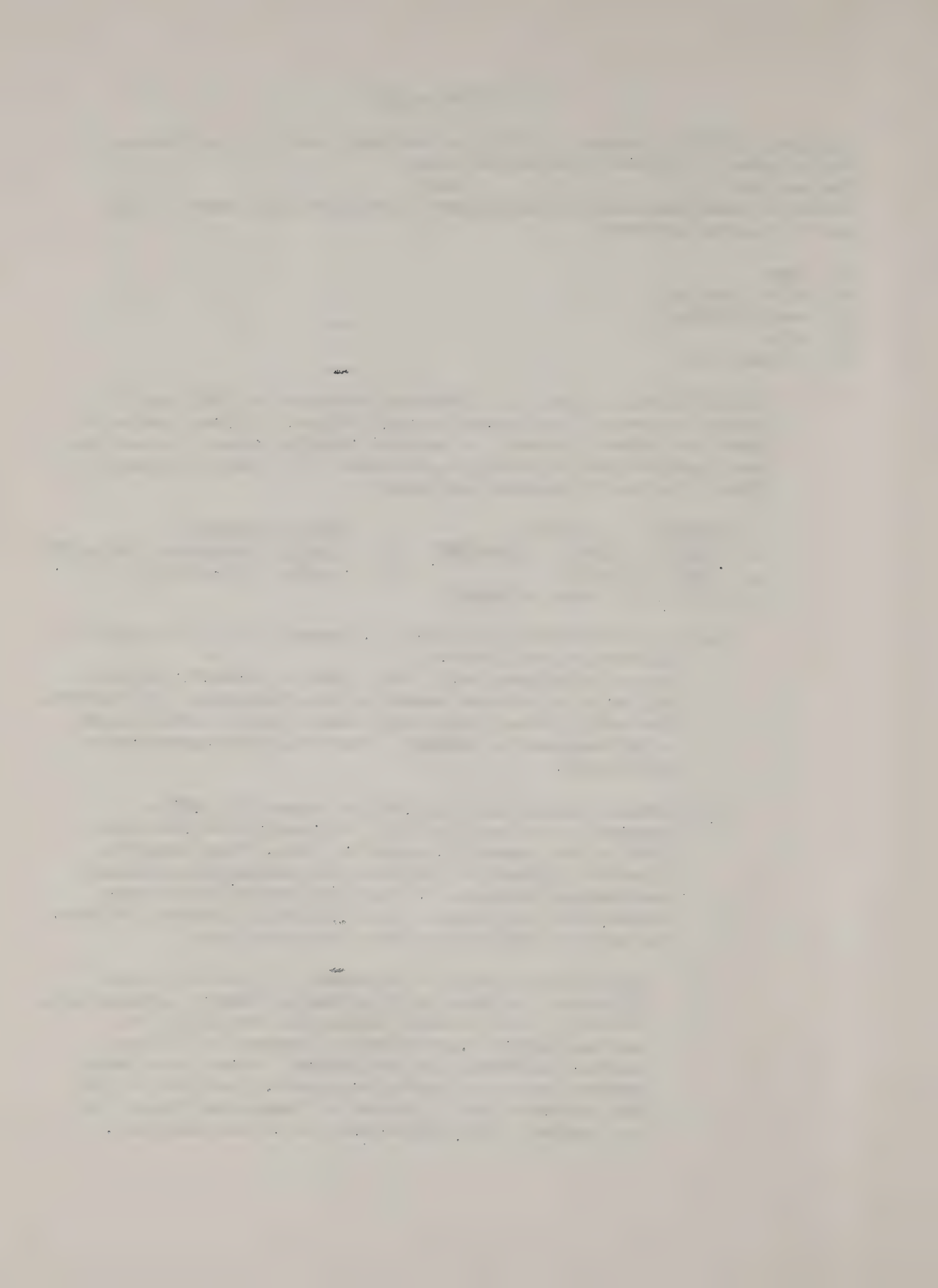
a. CALKINS HENRY b. April 17, 1850 died November 29, 1929 age 79. He was a farmer. Lived near Corunna Indiana. In later years he moved to Elkhart Indiana. He married Permilia Coonk. (It may have been spelled Krouk or Kronk) b. September 23, 1850, d. January 17, 1928. They had 7 children who were:

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| 1. HOWARD F. 1873-1911        | 5. EDDIE 1887-1896                |
| 2. MYRTLE (AHRENDT) 1876-1933 | 6. FLOSSIE (ASHBLERGER) 1893-1918 |
| 3. FRANK 1879-1950            | 7. CHARLES 1895-1907              |
| 4. FRED 1879 (twin to Frank)  |                                   |

(a) CALKINS HOWARD F. b. 1873, d. January 18, 1911 at age 38. He married Lena Shultz b. d. He was a Railroad man. They lived in Elkhart. He was killed in a railroad wreck in Elgin Illinois. No children. She has a sister, Mrs. Mary Tilman, wife of Phil Tilman a NYC engineer in Elkhart. They would not answer any of my letters.

(b) AHRENDT MYRTLE MAE (CALKINS) b. August 18, 1876 at Corunna, d. March 23, 1953. She married on December 27 1899 to Wm. Ahrendt b. April 18, 1874. They lived in Waterloo, Elkhart, South Bend and Indianapolis, Indiana and Peoria, Illinois. He was with the Bell Telephone Company for many years. He lives now in Laketon, Indiana. Had several letters from him. One son, Carl.

AHRENDT CARL HOWARD b. September 23, 1901 at Peoria, Illinois. He lives at 1331 Chester Street, Indianapolis, Indiana. He is a cable foreman for the city. He married Martha Tyner Walker b. January 21, 1908 in Laketon, Indiana. One son Edward. Martha is a school teacher and also a dental assistant. Carl was in the Navy in World War I. He was a fireman 2nd Class. He is a member of the Legion and she of the Auxiliary.



AHRENDT EDWARD WILLIAM b. May 3, 1932. He served in the U. S. Navy in the Pacific in World War II at Okinawa and aboard the USS Salisbury Sound for 2 years. He was a Fireman 2nd Class. He married Jacqueline Johnson b. October 9, 1935.

- (c) CALKINS FRANK (twin to Fred) b. August 22, 1879, d. April 18, 1950. One relative gives his death date as 1948 in California. He married Bessie Reed b. January 1, 1882, d. . They lived in Peoria, Illinois. The widow now lives in Williamstown, Missouri. I was unable to get any intelligent information from her, evidently very feeble and grieving, no children.
- (d) CALKINS FRED (twin to Frank) b. August 22, 1879. He married to Nellie Pearl Glias b. July 7, 1886, d. May 27, 1946. Married on April 24, 1905. He is a retired Railroad man now living at 417 North Main Street, Elkhart, Indiana. No children.
- (e) CALKINS EDDIE b. May 20, 1887, d. December , 1896, 9 years of age.
- (f) ACHBERGER FLOSSIE (CALKINS) b. July 18, 1893, d. October 16, 1918. Married on June 14, 1913 to Joe Achberger b. June 4, 1892. He is a postal employee and lives at 830 Edwardsburg Ave. Elkhart. They had one child, Richard.

ACHBERGER RICHARD b. June 19, 1918. Married on August 28, 1942 to Maxine Kauffman b. January 2, 1916. He is a sales representative of the Fedders Corp. of Buffalo, New York, which manufactures air conditioning equipment. Address is RR #1 Finley Rd., Winchester Ky. They have 2 children Jean and Joan, twins.

ACHBERGER JEAN b. September 28, 1943  
ACHBERGER JOAN b. September 28, 1943

- (g) CALKINS CHARLES b. October 18, 1895, d. April 4, 1907, age 11 years, 5 months.
- b. BOWDLE HELEN (CALKINS) b. April 17, 1852, d. 1924 at Albion, Calif. She married Vern C. Bowdle b. d. He was a farmer. They moved to Albion, California. I traced them to Albion and found after she died in 1924 he moved to The Dalles, Oregon and he died there about 1930. Could make no definite contacts.
- c. STONE AMELIA (CALKINS) b. d. about 1915. She married Edward Stone b. d. They lived in La Porte, Indiana. He was a soldier in the Civil War. They had two children. They may have lived in Cannelton, Indiana. Possibly a third child.





1. STONE BLANCH Can get no data here, died young.
2. STONE CLARENCE b. d. . I can get very little information on him. I understand he graduated from the Naval Academy at Annapolis. He later served there as an instructor. He served in the battle of Manila and later retired from the Navy. Navy Bureau will give me no information. His wife's name was Kate. I traced her to the Brighton Hotel in Washington, D.C. Moved away, no address.
- d. CALKINS MILO b. d. In the Calkins Military Roster, page 76, there is a Milo who enlisted in Civil War on December 20, 1863 at Kendallville, Ind. in 129th Ind. Infantry, was discharged June 3, 1865 at Indianapolis. He was a Sgt. in the Atlanta campaign and in the battles of Franklin and Nashville. After the war he moved to Kansas City where he lived the balance of his life. I can find no more data about him.
- e. There was another girl in this family but I can not find anyone who knows her name.

#### 4. ANNA CALKINS

Anna was born February 28, 1815 and died 21 April 1846 at the age of 31. I have been unable to get any additional information about her. I do not know if she married or not.

#### 5. CELESTIA CALKINS (LOVELAND)

Celestia was born 22 September 1817 at Elizabethtown, New York and she died 27 April 1887 at Corunna, Indiana. She married on October 24, 1836 to Henry Loveland of Fremont, Ohio. He was born at Lancaster, Ohio 15 December 1806. Henry went to California at the breaking out of the "Gold Fever" and died there in 1863. See Loveland Genealogy Vol. 1, pages 86, 89, 90 and 252. Henry was a printer by trade. They had three children, Joseph Calvin, Anna Isadore and Mary.

A. LOVELAND JOSEPH CALVIN b. 14 February 1840. He married at Jackson, Michigan to Helen T. Baldwin on 15 November 1869. She was born at Grafton, Ohio on 17 December 1852. Before her marriage she was a telegraph operator and he was the editor of several newspapers in Ohio and Indiana. One child was born at Oberlin Ohio.

LOVELAND JOSEPH CALVIN b. 15 February 1870. He was a printer, editor and co-partner in the publication of county newspapers in Indiana.



- B. LOVELAND ANNA ISADORE b. 16 May 1844, d. 7 February 1897 at Corunna, Indiana. She was unmarried. She was a printer and skilled in music and literature.
- C. LOVELAND MARY B. b. 10 November 1847, unmarried. She was a printer also. Have no date of her death.

#### 6. LIVONIA CALKINS

Livonia was born 8 March 1820 and died 21 August 1821. She lived 17 months.

#### 7. ULYSSES CALKINS

Ulysses was born 25 April 1822.

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#### 8. MILTON CALKINS

Milton was born 28 April 1824 died 5 Oct. 1824, lived 6 months.

#### 9. HORACE CALKINS

Horace was born March 22, 1825 and died April 3, 1825, lived 11 days.

#### 10. JANE ELIZABETH CALKINS (MCMILLEN)

Jane Elizabeth was born January 8, 1827 in Essex County, New York and she died on May 20, 1907 in Auburn, Indiana. She lived to the ripe old age of 80 years, 4 months and 12 days. She married George Vennan McMillen when she was eighteen years of age on October 27, 1845. George was born December 15, 1818 and died March 6, 1901. They had six children. The McMillen History follows:





## THE MCMILLEN FAMILY HISTORY

The first ancestor on the McMillen side of the family that we have any definite information about was Andrew J. who came from down east to Licking County Ohio, County seat of which is Newark. Andrew married Elizabeth Wilson. We can trace her lineage back for some years. Her Grandfather was William Wilson who lived in the County of Hardy in the Commonwealth of Virginia. This was before the state of West Virginia was formed. The writer has a copy of William's Will dated September 9, 1801. William's son, Archibald Wilson married Nancy Newman and Elizabeth was their child. The Wilsons owned land in central West Virginia and it is reasonable to suppose that they migrated west as no doubt Andrew did from that region.

Andrew was a well to do farmer in Ohio and owned considerable land. He was of Scotch descent. Elizabeth was Irish. They were strict Presbyterians and did all their Sunday cooking on Saturday in order to keep the Sabbath in a strict sense. The McMillens had 9 children who were:

Henrietta	Archibald	John
Dorothy	William	Newton
Benjamin	George	Abraham

I have been unable to find any information on any of these except George who was my ancestor.

### GEORGE VENNAN MCMILLEN

George was born on December 15, 1818 and he died on March 5 or 6, 1901 at the age of 82 years, 2 months and 21 days, in Auburn, Indiana. He left home when he was twenty years of age and came to Corunna, Indiana. His father gave each of his brothers and sisters a fine farm but George lost out by leaving home. He met Jane Elizabeth Calkins in Corunna and they were married when she was eighteen and he was twenty-one years of age. This was on October 27, 1845. Jane was born January 8, 1827 and died on May 20, 1907. She lived 80 years, 4 months and 12 days. Jane was born in Essex County New York and died in Auburn, Indiana at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Boland who was the writer's maternal grandmother. I have a letter from "Aunt Ett Heist" Etta Mae Heist, her granddaughter in which she tells about Jane's marriage. Aunt Ett visited many years later, a Mrs. Wade in Evansville, Indiana who was present at the wedding and in fact at whose home it took place. Mrs. Wade gave the bridal couple a reception with cake and wine. She related that the bridal party arrived on horseback each having their own mount. Grandfather McMillen went into the butcher business which he conducted on the front of his property. He farmed at times in both Ohio and Indiana. There were six children from this union.

The six children were:



Elizabeth Bell (Heist)	1846-1875	Celestia Maria (Boland)	1852-1940
Andrew Calvin	1849-1914	George Carey (Cade)	1854-1934
John Newton	1851-1915	Dolly	1859-1868

These dates were taken from a page in the family Bible that was cut out of the Bible and pasted in Celestia Maria's scrap book.

- A. HEIST ELIZABETH BELL (LIBBY) b. 1846 in Corunna, Indiana. She died in 1875. She married William Heist when she was 24 years of age. William's father was Henry Heist, the wealthiest farmer in De Kalb County Indiana. They were later divorced and he was remarried. Elizabeth was a very talented person. She was an artist, wrote poetry and played the guitar. She died when she was thirty-six of ptomaine poisoning. Some years before her death she joined the Catholic Church. The results of this marriage were twin girls and a boy.

Etta Mae

Metta Estelle

Bennet Carey

The twins weighed 3 1/2 pounds at birth.

- a. CHRISWELL ETTA MAE (HEIST) b. 3 September 1870 in Corunna, Indiana. She lived with her grandmother McMillen after her mother died when she was seven years old. When she was 9, she went to live with her aunt Celestia Maria Boland where she spent the next 2 1/2 years. Metta Estelle had been living with Mrs. Boland and they switched homes. At the time that "Aunt Ett" came to live at the Bolands the writer's mother Jessie Boland was less than a year old. Aunt Ett helped to raise her and also me. I flatter myself when I say that she was very fond of me as a baby and I was a flower boy at her wedding. My Grandfather Mr. Boland whom she called Uncle Mike sent her to Tri-State College at Angola, Indiana, where she studied typing and shorthand. She worked at the Eckhart Carriage Factory in Auburn for several years. She inherited her mother's talent for drawing and art and her son in turn has inherited it from her.

On November 19, 1902 she married Eugene Chriswell b. 15 February 1868, d. 19 . He was the son of John J. Chriswell b. 20 December 1842, d. 18 January 1938 and Sarah E. Chriswell b. November 15, 1944, d. April 4, 1924. They lived in Princeton, Indiana for many years and in September 1924 they moved to Detroit, Michigan. Gene has been in the Real Estate and Insurance business all of his life until he retired some years ago. Mrs. Chriswell lives with her son, Kenneth at 2928 Harding Street, Detroit 14, Michigan. They had two children, Paul Boland and Kenneth Boland.

1. CHRISWELL PAUL BOLAND b. 17 February 1904, lived 5 minutes.
2. CHRISWELL KENNETH BOLAND b. 6 April 1905, in Princeton, Indiana. He grew up there and attended school. He married on November 6, 1931 to Mary Ella McCurdy b. July 10, 1911, d. 1954. He







has inherited his mother's talent in drawing. He was employed by the National Lithograph Company in Detroit for many years and in 1949 he started his own firm titled Tri-Litho Plate Company at 1040 Fort Street, West Detroit, Michigan. His hobby is hunting and sketching. Their address is 2928 Harding Street, Detroit, Michigan 14. They have three children. He is in the Lithography business.

- (a) CHRISWELL BEVERLY ANN b. March 19, 1933. She is following secretarial work with the General Motors Corp.
  - (b) CHRISWELL BETTY LOU b. September 9, 1934. She is a little different type than her sister and wants to be a model.
  - (c) CHRISWELL JON J b. September 7, 1943. In school, a Boy Scout.
- b. BENEDICT METTA ESTELLE (HEIST) b. September 3, 1870. A twin to Mae Etta. She came to her Aunt Celestia's to live when she was seven after her mother died and when she was nine she traded with her twin Etta and went with her Grandmother McMillen to live. She married ten years before her sister, on October 13, 1892 to Ernest Ashley Benedict b. July 7, 1869. He was a florist. They lived in Auburn at first and moved to Milford, Michigan where he engaged as a florist for many years. He has passed away. She lives at 564 North Main Street, Milford, Michigan. They had two children, Jessie and Beatrice.
1. BLAY JESSIE ELIZABETH (BENEDICT) (REIS) b. May 21, 1894. She married (1) on April 29, 1913, to John Jacob Reis, b. January 29, 1891. He was a tinner by trade. They lived on Belview Street in Detroit. She was divorced from John Reis in September 1917. They had two children, John Ernest and Donald Benedict.
- (a) REIS JOHN ERNEST b. March 17, 1914. Jack married (1) on June 8, 1937 to Claire Martin b. April 17, 1918. He is a plumber by trade and they lived in Flint Michigan. Four children were born to this marriage.
    - REIS JOHN MARTIN (March 4, 1939)
    - REIS ROBERT RICHARD (b. January 21, 1941)
    - REIS JUDITH JOY (b. May 21, 1943)
    - REIS DENNIS CLARK (b. March 1, 1945)On September 8, 1948, John and Claire were divorced. John married (2) on June 16, 1951 to Norma Wells b. March 19, 1932. They have no children
  - (b) REIS DONALD BENEDICT b. July 12, 1915. He married on January 3, 1937 to Evelyn Strange b. February 26, 1918. He is a silver plater by trade. They live at 711 N. Main Street, Milford, Michigan. They have 6 children who are:



REIS CAROL ANN (b. December 21, 1937)  
REIS DONALD EVERETT (b. August 30, 1939)  
REIS KENNETH JOSEPH (b. September 23, 1940)  
REIS GERALD EDWARD (b. January 3, 1942)  
REIS JOYCE LYN (b. July 15, 1945)  
REIS PHYLLIS ELAINE (b. November 14, 1946)

Jessie married on December 6, 1920 to Earl A. Blay (b. January 21, 1893). They have had no children.

2. CLARK BEATRICE (BENEDICT) (MCBROOM) b. July 7, 1896. She was born in Auburn, Indiana. She married (1) Robert McBroom b. July 6, 1896. He was a draftsman by profession. They lived in Detroit. They were married in 1920 and were divorced a year later.

Beatrice married (2) on May 22, 1923 to Ned Clark b. March 18, 1885 d. January 17, 1936 at the age of 52 of Pneumonia. Her present address is 1235 E. Commerce Street, Milford, Michigan. They lived for some time in Detroit and Ned was a clerk in a Drug Store.

- c. HEIST BENNET CAREY b. January 6, 1872. He never married. He is a meat cutter by trade. He was raised from the time he was five years old by his grandmother McMillen. He is a veteran of the Spanish American War. He lives at 1715 Beloit Avenue, West Los Angeles, California. He has had poor health for many years and has T.B.

- B. MCMILLEN ANDREW CALVIN b. February 9, 1849, d. November 12, 1914. He worked for the New York Central Railroad at LaPorte, Indiana for 45 years. He was married on January 29, 1879 to Amelia M. Seymour b. September 28, 1858 in LaPorte, Indiana. She d. 1895, age 37, buried in LaPorte. Andrew died in 1914 as a result of an accident. It was a tragic affair. He climbed on a box car to do some switching, lost his footing and fell. His son witnessed his father's death. He was a Yardmaster for the NYC. They had 2 children:

- a. MCADAM LOUISE (MCMILLEN) I can find out very little about her. She was graduate nurse. In later years she became interested in Christian Science.

- b. MCMILLEN SEYMOUR He worked for the NYC RR. Never married and died when still a young man.

- C. MCMILLEN JOHN He was a bachelor b. January 15, 1851. He was a butcher and meat cutter by trade. He worked and lived in Corunna and in Auburn and in Casnovia, Michigan. He died at the home of his sister, Mrs. M. Boland at Auburn about 1915.





D. BOLAND CELESTIA MARIA (MCMILLEN) b. February 25, 1853 in Corunna, Indiana and died December 13, 1940 at Auburn, Indiana. She grew up in Corunna and went to school there. On October 31, 1875 she was united in marriage to Michael Boland b. December 12, 1853, d. November 24, 1918. Mrs. Boland lived to the ripe old age of 87 and out-lived her husband by 22 years. Mr. Boland came to De Kalb County in 1872 as a telegrapher for the New York Central RR at Corunna, Indiana. He was born and raised in Toledo, Ohio and attended school there. When he was a small child he lost his left arm having it cut off by a train. This was never a handicap to him and he played baseball on the Corunna team and engaged in all the normal activities. As a boy the writer can recall the times he used to ride me on the handlebars of his bicycle and play ball with me. He was in the hardware business for many years and could tie up packages as well as any man with two good hands.

The Bolands moved to Auburn, Indiana in 1872 when Mr. Boland was elected County Recorder by the Democrats. He served in this office for 8 years. He became identified with banking interests in Auburn and in 1885 he was appointed Post Master by President Grover Cleveland for a term of four years. He was associated with the old Zimmerman Manufacturing Company and became a partner in the Hardware firm of Brown, Culbertson and Boland. He later became the President of the De Kalb Mortgage Loan Company and served in that business until he died. He was most active in all civic affairs.

When the Y.M.C.A. in this city was erected by the late Charles Eckhart and his son Frank, Mr. Boland acted as their confidential secretary and adviser and it is to his credit that the Y.M.C.A. and the Eckhart Public Library stand as living monuments of these splendid men. He was raised a Catholic but of his own accord was converted to the Protestant faith and became a prominent and active member of the First Methodist Church in Auburn. He was a member of the school board for many many years and was instrumental in securing the donation from Mr. McIntosh for the school that was built by that name. He had much to do with the gift of the Eckhart Park to Auburn. He used to head up the county Free Fall Festivals and prior to that the Fairs. He belonged to the I.O.O.F. Lodge and the Knights of Pythias. He was a staunch Democrat and would have denounced the New and Fair Deals as a bunch of gangsters had he been alive today. He was a man of principle and respected and loved by all of Auburn.

It should not be amiss at this time if I should include a personal word about Mr. and Mrs. Boland, my grandparents. Due to circumstances of deaths in the family it became their lot to help in the raising of their relatives and grandchildren.

Shortly after they were married Mrs. Boland's sister's child, Metta Estelle Heist came to live with them upon the death of her mother. Three years later she left and her twin sister Etta Mae came to the Bolands where she lived for the next twenty-two and one-half years. Then her own two children came along and during the last years of





her parent's lives, Mrs. Boland cared for them until their death. Upon the death of their only daughter she undertook the raising of their child George who is the writer of this account. A few years later her son's child, Jessie Boland came to live with them and they raised her. Just stop and ponder on this for a minute and one will realize that these folks surely did their share in this world. I recall a letter written to me, when Grandmother died, by my Father and in which he recalls all of the children Grandmother had raised and he ended by saying and I quote: "Never in those long years do I ever recall that she ever complained or was unhappy about the job that was hers to do". I think this shows a characteristic of Grandmother that should be called to mind when ever we think of her.

She was always called Let or Lettie by Grandfather and she called him Mike. They were wonderful folks and were always kind and considerate of everyone about them. They had an unlimited host of friends in Auburn and the love and respect of them all. Their marriage was blessed with two children: Jessie Belle and George Carey.

- a. ECKHART JESSIE BELLE (BOLAND) b. August 22, 1876, d. March 28, 1898. She was twenty-one years and seven months of age when she passed away. She was born in Corunna, and spent her years of schooling in Auburn, graduating from Auburn High School in 1894. She married Frank Everhart Eckhart (b. October 9, 1867, d. June 14, 1954) on June 3, 1896. Frank was the son of Charles and Barbara Ellen (Ashleman) Eckhart. Mr. Charles Eckhart was the founder and owner of the Eckhart Carriage Company and Mr. Frank Eckhart, the active manager of this plant. He later formed the Auburn Automobile Company. Mr. Eckhart lived at 719 N. Camden Drive, Beverly Hills, California. They had one child: George Boland.

ECKHART GEORGE BOLAND b. October 11, 1897 at Auburn, Indiana. When he was 6 months old his mother died. She passed away in Los Angeles where she had gone with her husband and her mother to visit her husband's parents. It was thought that the change of climate and the nice weather in California would help her regain her health. They lived at 202 South Workman Street. She died of Brights Disease. She is burried in Auburn Cemetery. George was raised by his grandparents until he was six. At that time, April 21, 1903 his father married again to Grace (Leiter) of Butler, b. June 30, 1876.

George went through school at Auburn. In 1912, he attended the Interlaken School for Boys near La Porte, Indiana and in 1914 he entered De Pauw University at Greencastle, Indiana. He graduated from Stanford University in the class of 1920. He was a member of the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity at both schools. In 1918 he was in the U. S. Navy, but saw no action and did not get overseas. In 1943, he was in the U. S. Air Corps in the Radio section. He saw no action in this war. After graduation from college he was employed by the Chevrolet





Motor Company of Detroit for four years and then became an Automobile dealer for Chevrolet Cars and Trucks in San Jose, California in 1926.

He married Agnes Matilda Carmichael(b. June 12, 1901) in September 1929. They were divorced in 1935. No children. He was a dealer for Buick and Pontiac cars in Stockton in 1933 until 1936. In 1940, he moved to Tucson, Arizona, to live and is at present a clerk with the Southern Pacific RR. Company there. His address is PO Box 5315 and he resides at 4141 East River Road.

- b. BOLAND GEORGE CAREY b. April 4, 1878, d. October 5, 1921 at age 43 years and 6 months. He was born in Auburn and grew up there attending school and graduating from High School in 1894. He became assistant cashier of the Farmers' Bank when a young man. He married on May 16, 1899 to Cecil Bishop b. August 23, 1879, d. May 31, 1910 or 1911. Due to ill health he moved to Gary, Okla. in 1900 where he was in business for several years. He was divorced from Cecil. She preceded him in death by several years. They had one child, Jessie.

BAXTER JESSIE (BOLAND) b. November 26, 1901 in Auburn. She attended school in Auburn. She came to live with her grandfather and grandmother Boland when she was about twelve years of age. She attended De Pauw University at Greencastle, graduating in . She attended Wellesley College for Girls and received a degree entitling her to teach Physical Education which she did for several years in Ohio and Indiana. She is a member of the Alpha Chi Sorority. On March 28, 1920, she married George Baxter b. June 23, 1885. George is from Auburn. He graduated from Purdue University at La Fayette, Indiana with a degree in Mechanical Engineering. He was with the Ford Company in Detroit for some years and later a Ford Dealer in Auburn. He is now in the mortgage loan and Real Estate and Insurance business in Auburn. Their address is 211 East Sixth Street, Auburn, Indiana. They have two children; Susanne, and John Michael.

- (a) BAXTER SUSANNE(SUE) b. March 6, 1935. Sue finished her schooling in Auburn and is in attendance at the University of Indiana, beginning the fall of 1952. She is talented in drawing and no doubt gets this from her mother's family, the McMillens.

- (b) BAXTER JOHN MICHAEL b. July 23, 1938. He is named after his two grandfathers. In school in Auburn.

George Boland met Floy Goss(November 25, 1888) in Tyler, Texas and they were married on July 26, 1913. They came to Auburn for their honeymoon and I was about sixteen at the time. I fell in love with Aunt Floy and thought she was the nicest and prettiest person



I had ever known. They lived in Kokomo and in Muncie for a few years and because of George's health, they moved back west in 1916 and were in Organ, New Mexico for some years. George was a caretaker there for the Phelps Dodge Mining Corporation for these years. The fall of 1917 found them in old Mexico at Nacazori, Sonora where George was with the Phelps Dodge as a bookkeeper. He became very ill there with T.B. and Grandmother Boland and Jessie visited them there. Shortly thereafter they moved back to Organ where George died in 1921. Floy still lives at Organ, and has been the Post-mistress there for a long time. The writer visited her there a couple of times in the last few years. She is in poor health and has T.B. Floy is the same lovely person that she was when I first saw her in 1913.

- E. MCMILLEN GEORGE CAREY (CADE) b. December 18, 1854, d. January 12, 1934. He was born and grew up in Corunna. He went with the New York Central R.R. when he was quite young as a telegrapher and he became a Dispatcher, and was with the road in Butler, Indiana in 1881. He moved to Elkhart, Indiana, in 1888, where he lived until he retired in 1925 when he moved to Los Angeles to live. Uncle Cade was apparently my grandmother's favorite brother and they were very fond of each other and visited back and forth. Carey married Mary Belle Lipsett, (b. December 29, 1856, d. July 4, 1929.) She was the daughter of John (b. June 13, 1829, d. October 16, 1896) and Nancy (Gloyd) Lipsett (b. August 8, 1831, d. February 18, 1900.) They were married July 3, 1854. They had one son, Gloyd.

MCMILLEN GLOYD b. December 13, 1880, d. December 14, 1942. He was born in Corunna, Indiana. He went with the New York Central when he was a young man. He was a supervisor of track for the RR and began in Elkhart, moved to Hillsdale for 7 years, then to Hammond, Indiana until 1925 when he moved to Los Angeles, Calif. to live. Here he was in Real Estate and in Police work and was the head of the Police Service for M.G.M. Movie Studios when he died. Gloyd married Rosalba W. Zechiel (b. February 13, 1885) on November 13, 1907. Her father was a minister. She lives at 4124 Madison Avenue, Culver City, California. I visited her in January 1952 and enjoyed a fine visit with her and she supplied me with a great deal of data for this history.

Carey married (2) Mrs. Emory Metz on March 1, 1930. To quote Etta Chriswell, "Mr. Metz, her first husband was my first school teacher. Aunt Belle died of a cancer. She and Uncle Cade skimped all their life so they could spend their old days in peace and luxury in Calif." Mrs. Metz was Camille J. Britton. She died September 27, 1937. Uncle Cade's second marriage was not a very happy one.

- F. MCMILLEN DOLLY MAY b. December 12, 1859, d. 1868. She died when she was nine years old of diphtheria. She was the last and the youngest of the six children of George and Jane Elizabeth McMillen.







I have enjoyed writing this history of the family. It has been a source of great pleasure to receive the fine letters from "Aunt Ett" telling me about the family. She has been my entire source of help with the exception of Rosalba McMillen. I wish to express my thanks to you both. I hope the young relatives of today will appreciate this work and preserve it and pass it on to their children. In the course of time this will become invaluable. I should not fail to admonish them to keep this record, now that it is started, up to date at all times.

#### 11. SARAH ANN CALKINS (KNAPP) (HARMS)

Sarah Ann was born December 20, 1828, d. September 21, 1920. Married (1) to Charles H. Knapp of Livingston County New York. He came to Michigan at an early date and later to Indiana. He was in the County Auditor's Office in De Kalb County. He died on December 12, 1851 when their son Charles was 6 months old. The marriage date was March 30, 1848.

A. KNAPP CHARLES JR. b. May 30, 1851, d. February 16, 1938. Charles grew up in Corunna. He was associated with the firm of Wallace and Knapp (his Uncle) who were hardware dealers. Later he was employed by his Uncle Pollaus Calkins. He studied at the J. B. Jordan Business College in Toledo, Ohio. On June 26, 1877 he married Miss Clara McCollough. They moved to Auburn and Mr. Knapp owned and operated the Abstract Office there for many years. Mrs. Knapp was born d. . There were two children, Inez and Karl. Charles played Tuba in Calkins' Orchestra.

a. KNAPP INEZ b. February 24, 1880. Inez grew up in Auburn and was associated with her father and brother in the abstract office.

b. KNAPP KARL b. August 3, 1882, d. February 26, 1952. He also grew up in Auburn and was in the Abstract Office. He was in the Army in World War I and was active in Veteran affairs in Northern Indiana.

Mrs. Knapp was married (2) to Henry Harms a prosperous farmer who lived near Corunna. Mr. Harms had two children by his former wife. They were Clara and George Harms. Clara married Henry Brumback a son of Asa Brumback who was the husband of Julia Maria Antoinette Calkins. She was a sister to Mrs. Knapp (Sarah Ann Calkins).

#### 12. POLL AUS NEWELL CALKINS

CALKINS POLL AUS NEWELL b. November 27, 1830, d. July 5, 1892. He was born in Essex County New York, and was the sixth son and twelfth child. He came to Ohio with his parents and in turn to Richland Township, De Kalb County Indiana. Here they located 160 acres of virgin wild land, near Corunna and cleared and planted it. Pollaus grew up here and on



March 27, 1851, he married Matilda Brown, the daughter of Levi and Jane (Peak) Brown who came from Seneca County, Ohio. Pollaus settled on a part of his father's farm and engaged in the manufacture of tile, brick and in the lumber business. These data from an old history of De Kalb County and Indiana dated 1885. Mrs. Calkins was born in 1835 and died in 1907. The Calkins had 8 children who were all talented musicians. They had a family orchestra and a family band that was known and enjoyed all over northern Indiana. Pollaus played clarinet, all the others sang. The children were:

A. Horace	1853-1935	E. Adna Wm.	1863-1939
B. Milo	1855-1927	F. Charles F.	1867-1894
C. Frank	1858-1923	G. Mary Josephine Knauer	1870-
D. Lindol	1860-1948	H. Rose Marie (Kwiss)	1873-

A. CALKINS HORACE b. August 19, 1853 at Corunna, Indiana, d. November 29, 1935 at Los Angeles, California. He was an artist and owned and operated an Art Store for artist supplies and pictures on Wabash Ave. in Chicago, Illinois. In later life he moved to California about 1920 and lived with his son Arthur in Los Angeles. He married Katie Wilbraham b. 1875, d. 1931. They had two children, Arthur Wilbraham and Ada Louise.

a. CALKINS ARTHUR WILBRAHAM b. February 25, 1880 at La Porte, Ind. He died in October 1947 at Los Angeles. He was associated with his father in the Art Supply business. When he moved to Los Angeles he became associated with the Motion Picture Industry in designing sets. He married in 1905 to Helen Loretta Cullen. She was born . They lived in La Porte, Indiana when they were first married. Mrs. Calkins lives at 838 Redondo Court, Mission Beach, California. They had four children who were:

1. Helen Francis	1907	3. Arthur Wilbraham Jr.	1921
2. Mary Katherine	1918	4. William Theodore	1924

1. LEDEBOER HELEN FRANCIS (CALKINS) b. June 16, 1907 at Chicago. She married on February 10, 1930 to Frederick William Cornelius Ledebor. Divorced from him. Now living at La Granada Apts. 729 S. Normandie Street, Los Angeles, Du. 75291. He was a Petroleum Engineer. They had two children, Marianne and Frederick W. C. Jr.

(a) JOHNSTON MARIANNE (LEDEBOER) b. November 10, 1931 and married to Ronald B. Johnson b.  
He is in the business of  
Their address is  
They have 2 children who are:

(1) JOHNSTON,	b.
(2) JOHNSTON,	b.





(b) LEDEBOER FREDERICK WM. CORNELIUS JR. b. September 25, 1923. He is serving at the present (1954) in the U. S. Marine Corps at Cherry Pt. N. C. Not married. Rank Sgt.

2. KORNEGAY MARY KATHERINE (CALKINS) b. April 2, 1918 in Chicago. She married on April 26, 1946 to Edward Dawson Kornegay. He was born in Clovis, New Mexico on December 2, 1914. He is a Livestock rancher. Their address is Rt. 1, Box 840, Yuma, Arizona. Mr. Kornegay was in the Royal Air Force in England and later transferred to the U. S. Air Force, flying heavy bombers. He holds several British and American decorations, among them the British and American Distinguished Flying Cross. Mr. Kornegay attended the University of Arizona. Mrs. Kornegay attended Cumbock School in Los Angeles and Drama and Voice Schools there. They have 3 children.

(a) KORNEGAY EDWARD DAWSON JR. b. December 5, 1946 at Yuma.  
(b) KORNEGAY MARY MELINDA b. September 8, 1948 at Yuma.  
(c) KORNEGAY PAMELIA KATHERINE b. January 31, 1951 at Yuma.

3. CALKINS ARTHUR WILBRAHAM, JR. b. January 24, 1921 at Chicago, Illinois. He married Mildred Joy Black b. August 5, 1925 in Nicklas, Oklahoma. They live at 536 Strub Ave., Whittier, California. Mr. Calkins is Vice-President and General Manager of the Angelus Steel Treating Co. of Los Angeles. He is a Zeta Psi from USC. Date of marriage was November 15, 1945.

4. CALKINS THEODORE WILLIAM b. January 31, 1924 at Chicago, Illinois. He married Gayle Heathcote on July 12, 1947. She was born July 12, 1929. He was wounded at Saipan in World War II. He was a marine in the Second Division of the Sixth Marines. He has a Purple Heart. He was a Corporal. They live at 464 - 35th Street, Manhattan Beach. He is employed by the Douglas Air Craft Company. Have 2 children.

(a) CALKINS WM. THEODORE JR. b. 1951.  
(b) CALKINS DANIEL b. 1953.

Theodore finished college at U.S.C., Los Angeles.

b. CALKINS ADA LOUISE b. October 26, at La Porte, Indiana. She is not married and is employed as a private Secretary to Mrs. Carrie Roll of Los Angeles, California. Her address is 740 South Masselon Avenue, Los Angeles. She is also an artist. She lived in La Porte for many years before moving to Los Angeles.

B. CALKINS MILO b. December 3, 1855, d. July 16, 1927. He married on October 15, 1872 to Ella Borst, b. June 7, 1859, d. He was a music teacher and a band and orchestra leader. He played an E flat Cornet in the band and First Violin in the family orchestra of which he was the leader. He was associated with his father in the



brick and tile business but left this to go to Ft. Wayne where he went with the Packard Piano Company. He lived at Corunna and Ft. Wayne. There were two children by this marriage:

a. CALKINS CHARLES EARL b. November 22, 1884. He married Grace Harner b. June 18, 1883 at Harbor Springs, Michigan. She attended Michigan State University. She played cello on the concert stage. She was a member of the Alpha Chi Omega Sorority. They moved to California in 1917. Mr. Calkins is a member of the Warner Brothers Symphony Orchestra. He plays the kettle drums. Their address is 15850 Vase Street, Van Nuys, California. They have one son, Wendall.

1. CALKINS WENDALL b. May 22, 1912. He is a marine engineer and designer. He married Mary Jane Develin b. December 1, 1915. Their address is 678 San Elizo Street in San Diego. He is employed by National Steel and Ship Building Company of San Diego. He attended Occidental College in Los Angeles and graduated from Massachusetts Institute of Technology with a degree in Naval Architecture. He is a Phi Gamma Delta. They have 2 children:

- (a) CALKINS CHRISTOPHER CHARLES, February 25, 1945, adopted.
- (b) CALKINS KATHLEEN JANE b. November 24, 1949, adopted.

b. MARAHENS ROSE MARIE (CALKINS) b. October 14, 1892 at Corunna, Indiana. Married on September 11, 1910 to Otto Marahens, b. October 3, 1889. They live at Willowbrook, Covington Rd. RR #6, Fort Wayne, Indiana. Mr. Marahens is Vice-President of the Home Telephone and Telegraph Company. They have a beautiful country home. Mrs. Marahens sings and paints. They have no children.

C. CALKINS FRANK b. April 27, 1858, d. September 29, 1923. He married in May 1879 to Odelphia Topping b. May , 1858, d. September 1890. They lived in Corunna. He was with his father in the tile and brick business. He was a very fine Piano player. Played by ear. They had three daughters, Mable, Vesta and Minnie. Frank was married the second time to Mary Webber b. , d. She was the mother of Minnie.

a. MCDONALD MABLE (CALKINS) b. August 8, 1880. She married Charles McDonald, b. March 24, 1871, d. November 29, 1936. He was a Conductor with the New York Central Railroad. She lives at 5211 Springdale Street, Toledo, Ohio. No children.

b. TREESH VESTA (CALKINS) b. August 4, 1886. She married Earl Treesh on October 13, 1908. He was born July 2, 1884. Their address is 211 White Street, Toledo, Ohio. He is an Engineer with the W and LE Railroad. They have 2 sons, Charles and Robert.

(1) TREESH CHARLES b. November 3, 1910. He works for the Railroad, as a Fireman on NYC. Address is 201 Rymer Blvd., Toledo,







Ohio. He married on March 6, 1935 to Katherine Brindley b. December 29, 1910. They have 2 children, Sue Ann and Dickey.

(a) TREESH SUE ANN b. February 13, 1936.

(b) TREESH DICKEY b. May 16, 1945.

(2) TREESH ROBERT b. February 25, 1914. He was in the 5th U. S. Army in World War II, PFC. Division of Grave Registrations. He is employed by the Libby Owens Glass Company as a Polisher.

c. LUNDGREN MINNIE CATHERINE (CALKINS) b. October 5, 1895 at Auburn. Married Nils Bernhard Lundgren, b. April 19, 1890. He works for the Wayne Pump Company. Address RR #10 S. Hanna Ext., Ft. Wayne, Indiana. Three Sons, Jack, Joe and Frank.

(1) LUNDGREN JACK BERNHARD b. February 13, 1917 at Findlay, Ohio. Was a Corporal in Army in World War II in 20th Coast Artillery. In 1945, he married Wilma Wickman. They have one daughter. Address

(a) LUNDGREN LE ANN b. November 24, 1949, Marinette, Wisconsin.

(2) LUNDGREN JOSEPH SONE b. November 20, 1918 at Ft. Wayne, Indiana. Was a Corporal in Field Artillery in World War II. Works for Indiana and Michigan Elect. Company, Fort Wayne. Not married. Address is

(3) LUNDGREN DONALD FRANK b. August 1, 1926 at Ft. Wayne. Married to Joan Carriger. Served in World War II in Army as Tech. Sgt. in Infantry. He lives in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Is an attorney at Law. They have 2 children.

(a) LUNDGREN DIANE b. October 11, 1952 at Tulsa, Oklahoma.

(b) LUNDGREN RICHARD NILS b. January 29, 1954 at Palo Alto, California.

D. CALKINS LINDOL GEORGE b. August 14, 1860, d. July 25, 1948 at age 88. He married Margaret Shippy, b. May 12, 1867, d. October 11, 1928. He was a Steam Engineer. He worked for the Adams Foundry at Findlay, Ohio. He also lived in Auburn & Ft. Wayne, Indiana. He worked for the McCray Refrigerator Company in Kendallville Indiana. He played the Tuba and Double Bass Viol in the family band and orchestra. They had six children who were:

Archibald Arlington	1888-1953	Mary (Adams)	1898-1945
Donald Richard	1890-	Rose Marie (Culbertson)	1901-
Maude Eileen (Walter)	1892-	Robert Joseph	1904-

a. CALKINS ARCHIBALD ARLINGTON b. May 4, 1888, d. 1953, age 65. He was a steam Engineer and worked for the Kendallville Laundry. He played the Tuba. In July 1916, he married Wilma Hawk b. July 6,



1898. Address 529 Richmond Street, Kendallville, Indiana. They had 3 children.

1. WALTERS GENEVIVE (CALKINS) b. April 22, 1917. On November 4, 1938, she married Harold Walters b. February 24, 1913. He is the manager of the Antlers Club at Rome City, Indiana. They have 6 children who are:

- (a) WALTERS DENNIS b. June 29, 1939.
- (b) WALTERS LUANNA b. December 22, 1941.
- (c) WALTERS CONNIE b. June 10, 1943.
- (d) WALTERS SHELIA b. September 8, 1945.
- (e) WALTERS VICIE LYN b. November 7, 1950.
- (f) WALTERS CORLA SUE b. July 10, 1952.

2. CALKINS JERRY b. January 20, 1920. In 1945 he married Mary Volk b. May 6, 1920. Salesman Puritan Ice Cream Company. Address 529 Richmond Street, Kendallville, Indiana. They have 3 children.

- (a) CALKINS MICHAEL CRAIG b. April 7, 1946.
- (b) CALKINS STEPHEN RAE b. April 19, 1948.
- (c) CALKINS MARGARET ANN b. September 14, 1952.

3. CALKINS DEAN b. December 28, 1921. In 1947 he married Barbara Hauff b. October 28, 1924. He is Chief of Police at Kendallville Address 519 Summit Street. They have two children, Patrick and Kathy. He was in the army from 1940 to 1945.

- (a) CALKINS PATRICK DEAN b. August 9, 1947.
- (b) CALKINS KATHY JAN b. February 1, 1950.

- b. CALKINS DONALD RICHARD b. July 6, 1890. Married September 14, 1909 to Ethel Marie Isbell b. January 31, 1890. He is a shipping clerk with Miles Laboratories at Elkhart, Indiana. Address 3504 Cassopolis Street. Have 3 children: Richard, Betty and Donna.

1. CALKINS RICHARD KENNETH b. May 14, 1919. Married June 22, 1941 to Vivian Wine b. February 11, 1923. Address Route 2, Simminton Lake, Elkhart, Indiana. He is an Electrician. They have 2 children, Barbara and Randal Richard.

- (a) CALKINS BARBARA ANN b. April 6, 1942.
- (b) CALKINS RANDAL RICHARD b. October 10, 1951.

2. FERRARA BETTY JEAN (CALKINS) b. April 23, 1921. Married Oct. 20, 1940 to Samuel Ferrara Jr. b. May 2, 1917. He is a shipping clerk. Address 1715 West 14th Street, Chicago, Ill.

- (a) FERRARA SAMUEL b. May 7, 1943.
- (b) FERRARA MICHAEL b. June 11, 1947.
- (c) FERRARA ANTHONY b. May 11, 1949.





3. WATTS DONNA MARIE (CALKINS) b. February 11, 1925. Married on February 6, 1943 to Dennis Lee Watts b. March 14, 1924. He is a truck driver. Address  
Riverside, California.

- (a) WATTS LINDA KAY b. December 6, 1944.
- (b) WATTS LORAIN KATHLEEN b. May 11, 1946.
- (c) WATTS DARREL LEE b. June 11, 1948.

c. WALTER MAUDE ELLEEN (CALKINS) b. May 1, 1892. She married on December 19, 1912 to Vern Walter b. April 21, 1890. Address 1930 Belmont Avenue, Elkhart, Indiana. He is the owner of the Walter Upholstering Company. Have 2 children, Orvene and Vera.

1. MUNK ORVENE (WALTER) b. March 8, 1915. Married September 29, 1940, to Rex Munk b. February 14, 1914. Address 2927 Hilton Drive, South Bend, Indiana. He is a salesman. They have 3 children:

- (a) MUNK CORAL b. October 23, 1943.
- (b) MUNK BRADLEY b. February 4, 1946.
- (c) MUNK WILLIAM b. February 3, 1950.

2. LUDY VERA (WALTER) (TWIDEL) b. April 21, 1916. She married (1) Ray Twidel in 1931. He was born December 24, 1908, d. November 7, 1938. One child:

- (a) TWIDEL DOLORIS b. April 9, 1936, d. October 1936, age 5 1/2 months.

Vera married (2) in 1940 to John Ludy b. November 25, 1914. Address 1923 Leninger Street, Elkhart, Indiana. Have 4 children.

- (a) LUDY MARY b. September 11, 1942.
- (b) LUDY JOHN b. August 24, 1943.
- (c) LUDY MICHAEL b. January 15, 1948.
- (d) LUDY b.

d. ADAMS MARY (CALKINS) b. January 7, 1898, d. August ,1945. She was a member of Kappa Kappa Kappa Sorority. Married Ruben Homer Adams b. October 22, 1898. Married on October 22, 1920. He died January 8, 1953. He was Vice-President and General Manager of Associates Investment Company of South Bend. Two children: Robert and Ruben Jr.

1. ADAMS ROBERT JACK b. February 17, 1923. Married on March 8, 1948 to Louise Betty Spencer Crause b. October 31, 1924. They live at 901 Volz Drive, St. Louis, Mo. He is a Studebaker dealer in St. Louis. They have 4 children who are:



- (a) ADAMS JAMES SPENCER CRAUSE b. May 1, 1945.
- (b) ADAMS ROBERT HARRY b. October 31, 1948.
- (c) ADAMS MARY WINN b. June 17, 1950.
- (d) ADAMS ADORA LOUISE b. August 2, 1953.

Robert Jack attended Culver Military Academy in 1939-40 and Dartmouth in 1940-42. He is a Chi Psi. Also attended the Naval Academy in 1942-45 and served two stints in the Navy.

- 2. ADAMS RUBEN HOMER JR. b. July 8, 1927. Married September 10, 1949 to Lindalyn Bennett b. July 4, 1930. He belongs to Phi Delta Theta and she is a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority. Ruben attended University of Cincinnati 1944-45 and he graduated at Duke Medical, Durham, North Carolina in medicine, June 1953. Dr. Adams is now an intern at Parkland Hospital, Dallas, Texas. Address, 5438 Surrey Circle, Dallas, Texas. They have one child:

- (a) ADAMS RICHARD BENNETT b. May 26, 1953.

- e. CULBERTSON ROSE MARIE (CALKINS) b. March 6, 1901. Married on June 10, 1925 to Harry Eugene Culbertson b. March 24, 1903. He is in the refrigeration business. For many years he represented the McCray Company. He is now Vice-President and General Sales Manager of the Traulsen Refrigeration Company of Flushing, New York. They live at 25 Norgate Road, Manhasset, New York. Mrs. Culbertson attended the Art Institute in Chicago one summer. They have 3 daughters.

- 1. BERRAN SUZANNE MARIE (CULBERTSON) b. December 19, 1927. She married on April 5, 1952 to Robert Berran b. December 24, 1923. He is an artist doing Commercial Art with the Illustrators Group in New York. Address 6415 H 192nd Street, Fresh Meadows Flushing, New York. They have 1 child.

- (a) BERRAN KATHERYN LEE b. November 27, 1954.

- 2. CULBERTSON KATHERYN JOANNE b. July 19, 1929. She graduated from Junior College and is a Nursery Kindergarten teacher in Roslyn, New York. Address She attended college and Seminary at Buena Vista, Virginia.
- 3. GREGORY ROSEMARY (CULBERTSON) b. November 6, 1930. Married July 3, 1952 to Charles Gregory b. July 8, 1927. They live at 22 Prospect Street, Great Neck, New York. He is the owner and manager of the Gregory Commercial Refrigeration Sales and Service Company. Rosemary graduated from Parson's School of Design in New York City with honors and was offered a scholarship to study in Europe. They have one son Charles Bradford.

- (a) GREGORY CHARLES BRADFORD b. November 11, 1953.





f. CALKINS ROBERT JOSEPH b. May 18, 1904. He married on December 11, 1926 to Annie Erickson b. October 21, 1905. He owned a Variety Store in Kendallville, Indiana. He has lived in California and was in the lumber business near Los Gatos. Present address is 221 Belmont Avenue, Los Gatos, California. He is a Sigma Nu. They have one child:

1. CALKINS MARY ELIZABETH b. February 6, 1939. She is a fine musician and an excellent student leading her class in scholastic standing.

E. CALKINS ADNA WILLIAM b. April 16, 1863, d. December 2, 1939. He married Rose Harper b. , d. November 29, 1939. He was an interior decorator, also played Tenor Horn. They lived in Chicago. No children.

F. CALKINS CHARLES FREDERICK b. September 2, 1867, d. June 16, 1894. He married Etta Hulands. He was a member of the orchestra of McVickers Theatre in Chicago. He played the B Flat Cornet in the Family orchestra and band. He was a soloist at 15. He took a course in surveying and worked in Auburn before he moved to Chicago. He died of black Smallpox. No children.

G. KNAUER MARY JOSEPHINE (CALKINS) b. March 11, 1870 at Corunna. She married Harvey Knauer b. February 28, 1862, d. October 28, 1938. They were married at Waterloo on October 5, 1890. Mr. Knauer was a general store keeper at Corunna and Clerk of the Court at Auburn. He attended College in Ft. Wayne. He was a Mason, and a Knight Templar and a Knight of Pithyas. He played the snare drum in the Calkin Band. Mrs. Knauer belongs to Eastern Star and is a K of P sister. They belong to the Church of Christ and are Republicans. Mrs. Knauer was a great Bible Student and a church worker. She lives at 115 1/2 West Hardin Street, Findlay, Ohio, with her sister, Mrs. Kwiss.

H. KWISS ROSE MARIE (CALKINS) b. May , 1873 at Corunna, Indiana. She attended College in Findlay, Ohio and specialized in music. She studied Voice Culture, History of Music, Theory, Harmony, Counterpoint and English Literature. On October 28, 1896 she married William Calvin Kwiss b. December 23, 1872, d. December 24, 1945. He was a grocer. Mrs. Kwiss established her own Music Studio in Findlay in 1902 and continued her activities until 1943 when she retired. Mr. Kwiss was a Rotarian, an Elk and a K of P. They are Lutherans and Republicans. Mrs. Kwiss belonged to the Philharmonic Music Society and Business and Professional (Ladies) Clubs. She lives at 115 1/2 West Hardin Street, Findlay, Ohio. She has been of untold help to the compiler of these records. Through her, I was able to get the entire data on Pollaus and his family. I wish to thank her for her kindness and helpfulness.



13. JULIA MARIE ANTOINETTE CALKINS (BRUMBACK)

Julia Marie Antoinette was born September 25, 1834 and died .  
She married Asa Brumback who was a farmer living near Corunna, Indiana.  
He turned out to be a drunkard. They had 3 children, Angie, Henry and  
Douglas.

A.                      ANGIE (BRUMBACK) b.                      d.  
Married on                      to  
He was engaged in  
They lived at  
They had      children.

B. BRUMBACK HENRY b.                      d.  
He married Clara Harms a daughter of Henry Harms. Henry was married  
to Mrs. Charles Knapp after the death of Mr. Knapp. See note below.  
Mr. Brumback was engaged in  
They lived at Greens Corners, half way between Corunna and Sedan.  
After Clara's death he married a Mrs. Gravins. They lived in Auburn.

C. BRUMBACK DOUGLAS b.                      d.  
He was engaged in  
He married on                      to                      b.  
Lived at  
Children

NOTE Jessie Brumback was a brother of Asa Brumback. Asa's wife was  
named Lucinda b. December 26, 1824, d. May 11, 1897. She was a  
Gloyd. Her sister, Nancy Gloyd was the mother of Mrs. Cade McMillen,  
who was Bell Lipset. Cade or Carey McMillen was a son of Jane  
Elizabeth (Calkins) McMillen.





# ADDENDUM 1

note: Francis enlisted 30th April 1864 for 100 days 44th Iowa Inf. gave birth date and state and co. also discription blue eyes, black hair 5'8" dark complexion Dubugne Co. Ia.

Ulysses Calkins 1850 census Dekalb Co. Indiana Richland TWP.  
Arosina Ulysses b. 1823  
Arosina b. 1831  
both from N.Y.  
children born in Ind.

Francis Marion Calkins Orson Calkins Henrietta Calkins  
B. 1846 B. 1847 B. 1850

D. Feb. 1 \* 1918 Drexel, Mo.

Sarah C. \* Spaulding

B. 1860 July 10th Utica, ILL. D. 1942 Feb. 8th 12:25 PM

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Charlie \* Walter Ulysses Calkins \* Abbie \* Ella \* Edna \* Cora

a barber \* B. 1888 Feb. 4 Neb.

Seattle \* came to Mo. by wagon

Wash. \* at age 8 married July

dead \* 11, 1910 Butler, Mo.

\*\*\*\*\* D. April 16, 1966

Harrisonville, Mo.

Eulah Lee Elliott

B. Oct. 13, 1888 MO.

St. Joseph

D. 29 Feb. 1956

Drexel, Mo.

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\* Merwin \* — \* Drexel \* only one still live

\* Mo. \* — \* Mo. \* ing Wyoming

\* dead \* — \* dead \*

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\* Daly City, Calif. dead she had lived

\* in Osawatimie, Ks. till a few years

\* before her death

note: for spouses see back

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Opel \* Gladys \* Rena \* Frances \* Betty \* Anna \* Hazel \* Walter Lee

m. \* m. \* m. \* m. \* m. \* m. \* m. \*

George \* Bill \* Sam \* Earl \* Tom \* ? \* ? \* Kate Barrett

Ferginger \* Jameson \* Gowing \* Allen \* Cutshaw \* Helmick \* Tucker \* Karen Cameron

\*\*\*\*\* Charlie \*\*\*\*\* — \*\*\*\*\* Bill \*\*\*\*\*

Smith \* — \* Lavel \*

\*\*\*\*\* — \*\*\*\*\*

Note : Betty Lavann B. Aug. 31, 1920 Thom - as Estell Cutshaw B. May 26, 1915

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for the Cutshall family see attached sheet

Ella m. Hatfield  
Charlie m. Bessie Bursom  
Edna m. Clarence "Duke" Jackson  
Abbie m. Richard Tucker  
Cora m. Harry Potter

Family of Thomas E. Cutshaw and Betty Lavann Calkins

name	born	
Donald Eugene Cutshaw	May 23, 1938	
married Feb. 1, 1957		
Irene Hackett		
Rebecca Jean Cutshaw	Sept. 12, 1957	
Donald Eugene Cutshaw Jr.	March 31, 1959	
Sherri Lavaun Cutshaw	June 9, 1960	
Vicki Irene Cutshaw	Oct. 3, 1962	
divorced April 15, 1966		
married Aug. 30, 1968		
Barbara Jean York	May 19, 1948	
Aron Rodney Cutshaw	Oct. 3, 1969	
Justin Cutshaw	Aug. 26, 1972	
Joshua Cutshaw	Feb. 12, 1978	
Jill Cutshaw	Feb. 3, 1980	
Ronald Leroy Cutshaw	Sept. 2, 1939	
married May 22, 1956		
Mary Jane Dees	April 25, 1938	
Betty Marie Cutshaw	Sept. 25, 1956	
Linda Lee Cutshaw	Nov. 5, 1957	
Brenda Kay Cutshaw	June 7, 1960	
Margaret Ann Cutshaw	Feb. 15, 1963	
Johnnie Dean Cutshaw	Jan. 3, 1941	
married Sept. 10, 1960		
Janet Lee Arbogast	Aug. 19, 1943	
Joan Lynn Cutshaw	Feb. 13, 1961	
Jonetta Lee Cutshaw	July 12, 1963	
Jeffery Dean Cutshaw	Sept. 26, 1964	
Jerry Duane Cutshaw	May 18, 1966	
Thomas Lavon Cutshaw	April 28, 1942	
married July 6, 1959		
Frita Peugh		
Thomas Kevin Cutshaw	Nov. 18, 1959	
James Robert Cutshaw	Nov. 12, 1962	lived 4 hr.s
Mary Kathern Cutshaw	Jan. 30, 1963	
Kimberly Sue Cutshaw	Aug. 8, 1965	
married Oct. 21, 1967		
Linda McFarland (Darlene)	Sept. 19, 1947	
Tommy Dale Cutshaw	Aug. 15, 1968	
Jerry Leon Cutshaw	Feb. 22, 19	
Bonnie Roberta Cutshaw	April 9, 1944	
married May 18, 1962		
Virgil Gene Stuteville	Jan. 1, 1936	
Phyllis Jean Stuteville	Dec. 16, 1966	
Rodney Eugene Stuteville	July 15, 1969	
Lonnie Estell Cutshaw	March 16, 1945	
married July 26, 1969		
Rosalie York	May 12, 1951	

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Lonnie and Rosie's children

Dewayne Estell Cutshaw	Dec.4,1969
Angie Cutshaw	Sept.15,19

Gary Lavern Cutshaw	Nov.17,1946
married Dec.8,1967	
Rita Kay Crawford	Aug.12,1948
Tess Marie Cutshaw	Sept.28,1968
Travis Ulysses Cutshaw	Oct.6,1970

Norma Jean Cutshall	Nov.10,1947
married Dec.28,1967	
Allen J. Miller	Jan.15,1948
Dawn Marie Miller	Nov.1,1968
Jennifer Sue Miller	Nov.19,1970

Connie Sue Cutshaw	Dec.28,1948
married Nov.25,1967	
James Gast(Edmund)	May28,1943
Phillip James Gast	Jan.30,1969
Tamala Ann Gast	Jan.4,1970

Larry Ray Cutshaw	Oct.30,1950
married Sept.6,1968	
Linda Lou Slawson	March29,1950
Stephen Lloyd Cutshaw	Oct.25,1969
Toby Ray Cutshaw	July25,19







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